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Long hot summer of violence forecast

By
CJN NEWS SERVICES

JERUSALEM —

Israeli experts are expecting a long "hot summer" inside Israel proper as a result of Israeli Arabs following the calls to action from the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine and Fatah's Force 17 activists.

The first signs of increased terror attacks in Israeli cities and towns were recent car bombings in Jerusalem and Ramat Gan and the increased stoning of Israeli cars in the Triangle villages, southeast of Haifa. Stone barriers have also been placed on roads near Bedouin villages. The only thing that can reverse this process is some movement on the political front, The Jerusalem Post stated.

Labor Knesset member Ra'anan Cohen said last week that, since the beginning of 1987, there have been 600 intifada-related incidents in the Israeli Arab sector.

There are two aspects of this phenomenon: the PFLP, a hardline PLO faction, is trying to mobilize Israeli Arabs to join the intifada, while Force 17 is trying to motivate the residents of the territories to step up terrorist activity within the Green Line.

According to reliable Israeli sources, Fatah, which is headed by PLO chief Yasser Arafat, has stopped all its military activities from Lebanon. The present goal of the military wing of the organization, and especially Force 17, is to mobilize Fatah cells in the territories to embark on terrorist actions in the population centres of Israel proper. By doing this, the organization expects to broaden, as much as possible, the definition of "intifada" acceptable in international and U.S. eyes.

Fatah's leadership seems unable or unwilling to rein in Force 17's new activities. Nevertheless, Fatah remains opposed to the participation of Israeli Arabs in such intifada activities as throwing stones and petrol bombs. This stems from Fatah's recent acceptance of a 2-state solution to the Arab-Israeli conflict. Thus, they claim, Israeli Arabs should operate, within the framework of Israeli democracy, in the struggle for equal rights with Israel's Jewish population.

Since one can assume that Force 17 cannot operate without Arafat's approval, it is a safe bet that Arafat wants it both ways, the Post suggests.

The PFLP, according to the sources, supports the idea that Israeli Arabs should play an active role in

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Shamir to Britain

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir is to visit Britain and Spain later this month, it was officially announced last week. He will meet with government and opposition leaders and local Jewish leaders in London from May 21-23. On May 24, Shamir will fly to Madrid for a 1-day official visit followed by a private stay of two or three days according to a Spanish government spokesman.

WJC's Edgar Bronfman:

Help the Jews inside USSR

By
JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

World Jewish Congress president Edgar Bronfman berated Jews in the West for not seizing the opportunity the Soviet government has offered to strengthen the Jewish identity of Jews in the Soviet Union.

Helping the 2-2½ million Jews Bronfman expects will remain in the Soviet Union to regain their culture and religion will be a more difficult challenge than was the movement for Jewish emigration, he said at the Canadian Jewish Congress Plenary Assembly, attended by more than 900 delegates and observers.

Bronfman said there are now six Jewish cultural centres in different Soviet cities, and WJC has a written agreement with the Soviet government to allow rabbis and teachers to go into the country without restriction, yet "we are doing nothing." He said his fear is that in a year or two, the Soviets will ask him why nobody is going to these cultural centres.

Jews in the West should send Jewishly knowledgeable people and religious materials into the Soviet Union to establish programs and make contacts with Soviet Jews on an organizational and individual basis.

WJC is close to an agreement with the Soviet Union that will allow the Soviet Jewish community to become a WJC member. In a related development, WJC will open an office with the Jewish Agency in Hungary July 11.

Bronfman said he believes giving Soviet Jews a knowledge of Judaism will lead to more wishing to emigrate to Israel.

Almost three generations of Soviet Jews have been denied their religion, and for more than 20 years have heard anti-Israel propaganda, yet, Bronfman said, that Jewish spark has not been extinguished. "To let this opportunity go by would be a shame."

He urged Jews here to stop demonstrations against the Soviet Union. Those long-time cases of emigration refusal will be resolved before the end of the year, he said, and the number of Jews leaving next year may top 80,000.

Bronfman called on the United States to stop giving refugee status to Soviet Jews. He has proposed to the Soviet government that Jews who wish to immigrate to Israel be processed at the Israeli consular office and flown directly from Moscow to Tel Aviv.

Those who want to go to the U.S. should "stand in line at the embassy . . . if they want to leave that badly they will go to Israel, or they can wait in the Soviet Union."

With the success of the recent elections, Bronfman said he is now confident Mikhail Gorbachev's reforms will continue. "Gorbachev is in no danger of losing political power. He could be assassinated but he would become a martyr and glasnost and perestroika would go further."

Bronfman's other strong message to the Plenary was that Jews should stop criticizing Israel in the media. "If you want to convince the Israelis to do it your way, go over there and tell them. Don't put it in the Gazette or the New York Times or the Washington Post."

He said Jews must be united now more than ever before. "No matter how badly we want to have peace, the terms have to be decided by the people of Israel . . . We are talking

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Early deadlines

Because of the Victoria Day holiday the May 25 issue of The CJN will go to press earlier than usual.

Editorial deadline for the issue is Monday noon, May 15, in Toronto.

Advertising deadlines are: Tuesday noon, May 16 for classified and organizations and Wednesday noon, May 17 for display retail.

Reign of terror fails to draw condemnations

By
JOSEPH POLAKOFF

WASHINGTON —

Increasing brutalities by Palestine Liberation Organization death squads against Palestinian men and women who seek amelioration of the Arab-Israel conflict have not drawn the condemnations of the U.S. state department, Amnesty International or the International Committee of the Red Cross that have been directed at Israelis for violence in the West Bank and Gaza.

Spokespersons at the state department were asked April 28 and again May 1 (by this reporter) for comments on the operations of the death squads that hacked, stabbed or beat to death seven Palestinians in eight days for being "collaborators" with Israel. At least 32 such killings — some reports put the figure at 60 — have taken place in the past year.

The state department declined to comment whether the brutalities put into question the validity of the more than 80 local Palestinian leaders who signed a statement rejecting Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's call for elections in the territories (CJN May 4).

The state department was unaware who prepared the statement or circulated it for signatures among prominent Palestinians such as Hanna Seniora, the East Jerusalem publisher who frequently visits the U.S. Those who signed also told Western reporters they didn't know where the statement originated.

"I don't know," was all one signer, Ibrahaim Dakkask, an East Jerusalem engineer and community leader, was willing to say about how the document came to be, The New York Times reported. "It was passed to me and I found that it was compatible with my ideas."

Sari Nuseibeh, a West Bark university professor who has been quoted at length on other occasions, said only that "someone brought it to me."

Yasser Arafat himself threatened the mayor of Bethlehem, Elias Feij, with 10 bullets in his chest for having expressed an opinion on means of calming the infitada. Observers believe the Arafat threat was a warning to other "leaders" that they had better follow PLO orders or face oblivion. Thus, under PLO duress, at least some leaders who may seek to ease the West Bank/Gaza conflict comply with orders from Tunis.

The Los Angeles Times resported from Ramallah in the West Bank that "officials of the PLO abroad have given formal approval to the killing of Arabs accused of collaborating with Israel." It attributed its report to pro-PLO Palestinian sources.

SAUVE RECEIVES AWARD

Jeanne Sauve, Governor-General of Canada, receives the 39th annual Beth Sholom Brotherhood Humanitarian Award from Mila Mulroney, last year's winner, with Sydney Solomons, president of the Brotherhood. Story on page 7.

SUMMER SIZZLE

Getting into the swim of summer things will be easy if you consult The CJN's supplement.

World-National

AIDS also a Jewish problem

By
RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

There was a time when we thought that alcoholism and other abuses were not a Jewish problem. Only "they" were afflicted by drunken husbands who beat their wives and children, and abused themselves and everyone around them in a dozen different ways. Alas, it came out that we Jews too had our drug and alcohol overusers, with all the dismal effects such practices have. A recent case in New York, where a Jewish lawyer was convicted of beating his child to death, showed but the tip of the iceberg.

Rabbi Plaut

But for a long time our community has refused to face such facts, and in consequence Jewish women have only lately come out of the closet and admitted that they were being abused by their husbands. We lack adequate information on how it was a hundred years ago in the shtetl, but we do know that today we do have a serious problem. I am glad to say that our social agencies are fully aware of it.

Deadly prospects

And now comes AIDS, the Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, with its deadly prospects. Again I hear people opine that fortunately we Jews are much less prone to the scourge because our sexual practices "are so much better than those of others." That too is fiction, as some researchers have already shown, and here too we have at last come out of hiding. An American rabbi told his congregation that, yes, a brother of his had died of AIDS, and that it was time to have Jewish congregations and agencies become partners in alleviating the loneliness and despair of those stricken with the disease.

An American statistician has suggested that Jews are today, in most respects, like other Americans. He figures that in 1992 no fewer than 263,000 people will die from AIDS in the U.S., and therefore (reckoning Jews to form 2.5% of the total population) some 6,575 Jews will that year succumb to the illness. If such figures could be said to reflect Canadian reality, we would have to project that in 1992 some 325 Canadian Jews will perish from the disease. Most of these would be found in Montreal and Toronto, so that their illness and death would become a noticeable tragedy.

Not immune

In an address to Jewish congregations in the American West, Rabbi Alexander Schindler said: "AIDS has revealed a deficiency in our Jewish community's own immune system — that we are not so immune to prejudice, that we are not so immune to the general human propensity for blinding our eyes to hurtful truth: that we are not so immune to the very process of stigmatization by which we as Jews have been shunned and persecuted and massacred."

Indeed, we have looked away from the presence of sick and despairing people in our midst, people who cry out for support in their agony and in the face of death. Their families too are in dire need of help. Time was when cancer could not be spoken about; fortunately that time is past. Now we need to speak about the reality of AIDS. Moral judgments will not do, and averting our eyes will merely deepen the pain of individuals and their families who are afflicted.

Here is an opportunity waiting for our religious community. Bikkur cholim in the widest sense has always been a high and even urgent part of it. We have to make up for lost time, and some synagogues (Holy Blossom among them) have formed special committees, consisting of physicians and lay people, to explore avenues of assistance and support.

One of the results of such activity will be that additional AIDS-afflicted persons will come out of the closet, and only then can they obtain help. So, let's not keep hiding them away. Says the Talmud: "The beginning and end of Torah are deeds of loving kindness."

U.S. not go-between: official

By
WOLF BLITZER

WASHINGTON —

A senior Bush administration official has denied that the U.S. is serving as a mediator between Israel and the PLO.

"We are not passing messages back and forth," said Dennis Ross, the director of the state department's policy planning staff and a key strategist of the administration's Middle East policy.

"We have a dialogue with the PLO," he continued. "We are using that dialogue to determine whether or not the PLO commitment in a rhetorical sense to the principles of peace can, in fact, and will be translated by the PLO into behavior that will support a practical peace process. We are using it to determine that. That is separate from being a mediator."

Ross, interviewed on Public Broadcasting's MacNeil-Lehrer Newshour, also went on to deny the U.S. was representing Israel in the dialogue with the PLO. It was his first major interview since becoming a key advisor to Secretary of State James Baker.

"We have made it clear all along that we would have a dialogue with the PLO if they met certain conditions," he said. "They met those conditions. Now we have to determine whether or not the PLO is prepared to support a process that can lead somewhere. So we are making that judgment as part of an overall effort on our part to be active and promote a peace process."

Ross said that it was still "too soon to say" whether the PLO had in fact made a real commitment to peace.

"We will continue . . . to determine the level of seriousness and the level of commitment to a process that emphasizes and understands that peace is not going to be made by slogans; peace is going to be made by diplomacy. And, oftentime, diplomacy grinds."

Ross urged the Palestinians to accept a gradual, step-by-step approach, including a readiness to support Palestinian elections on the West Bank and Gaza as the next step in the process.

The Palestinian uprising in the territories has created a new reality, he said. "What we have to do is take that new reality and try to channel it in directions that are productive," he added.

"And elections can be a kind of bridge between this pre-negotiation phase and the formal negotiations phase," he continued. "But in this first phase, we have to change the climate. We've got to transform the situation. We've got to begin to build a degree of trust between Israelis and Palestinians so that their perceptions of each other begin to change. More important than anything else, we've got to use this period to change the psychological realities so that what isn't thinkable today does become possible over time."

In further defending the election proposal, Ross acknowledged that the concept "needs to be developed . . . I think at this point we have a lot of questions about how you transform the situation, the modalities of elections, and how they will be worked out. We need to be working with the Israelis, and we need to be working with the other parties in the area."

At this stage, he said, the administration is "beginning to follow up within our own house to determine the kinds of answers we think ought to be developed" regarding the elections. "We've begun a process of consultations and that's something that we will continue to do in the next few weeks."

The election proposal, he said, has "captured people's interest," including Palestinians. "They understand there is something there," he said. "Elections as a kind of vehicle, as part of a larger process is something that has an appeal to it . . . I think the kind of debate and discussion we've seen is positive."

Other U.S. officials have continued to insist that the PLO was giving the election proposal serious consideration despite some apparently conflicting statements made in recent days. "It's the only proposal on the table right now," one U.S. official said.

The PLO's number 2 official, Salah Khalaf, in an interview published in the Washington Jewish Week, said the PLO would support elections but only in the context of a "package deal" leading to an end to the Israeli military occupation of the territories and the recognition of the Palestinians' right to self-determination.

Khalaf granted the interview in Tunis to Larry Cohler, a reporter for the newspaper who noted that the PLO was anxious to reach out to the American Jewish community to serve as a bridge between the PLO and Israel.

"We are willing to meet with [American Jews] and have an open dialogue," Khalaf said. "Not with individuals. But we prefer to have it with big, well-established organizations, like the American Jewish Congress and the American Jewish Committee. We have no problem to expand this to include some of the big European Jewish organizations."

Air travel's latest phobia: (FOP)

By
RICHARD COHEN

WASHINGTON —

It is the night before an airplane trip. I am feeling anxious. I go to bed, but cannot sleep, then rise, eat some ice cream, and return to bed. Still, I cannot sleep. Fear of flying, I hear you say. Nothing of the sort. Fear of packing, instead.

Yes, Fear of Packing (FOP) — a phobia affecting the air traveler in increasing numbers. As the chances of losing luggage increases, those of us who fly attempt to take all our bags on the plane. Limited to just two bags, we have to choose our clothing carefully.

Will the weather change? Will we be going into a warm climate and then into a cold one? Shall I take the raincoat or the overcoat? The wool blazer or the cotton one? And what single tie (okay, two) will suffice? Shoes are another concern. Have to take one for walking (do a lot of walking) and another for the dinner party to which I have not yet been invited.

These choices swirl through my head like little squalls. They kick up fears of being underdressed or overdressed, of taking — as I have in the past — one shoe from two different pairs. Shall I pack at night?, in which case I am not likely to find my toothbrush in the morning. Or shall I pack in the morning?, in which case I will hurry and take the wrong items.

The airlines know about FOP. They have underwritten grants to the University of Northern North Dakota (UNND) to study it. For the airlines, FOP accounts for loss of business. (UNND determined that 4.6 million people choose to drive rather than fly just so they can throw anything they need in the trunk.)

A recent study estimates that 6.4 million Americans suffer from FOP. These people are invariably late for planes and account for 22.4% of delayed takeoffs, for a cost to the airlines (domestic only) of $1.3 billion annually. When aboard, they are most likely to be disgruntled passengers, most likely to complain just because 7 of 9 headphone channels are out of order.

More surprisingly, FOP has been implicated in a growing number of spousal abuse cases. Fights over what to take and who gets to decide have been cited in a growing number of court cases. Three homicides have been attributed to arguments about which spouse gets more luggage space (all the victims were men) and six more murders were caused by what psychologists call Post-Packing Syndrome — the discovery upon arrival that something essential has been forgotten. (The last words the victim hears is "I thought you packed it!")

At a recent meeting of the American Psychological Association, FOP was rejected narrowly as a mental disease, although it is just a matter of time until it is accepted. But FOP, in conjunction with an intake of junk food (Twinkies and the like) was accepted, as was a combination of Pre-Menstrual Syndrome and Post-Packing Syndrome (PMS-PPS), especially if it is preceded by FOP. In the words of the association (ASA), FOP followed by PMS in conjunction with PPS can make a person "cross." Rest assured UNND is studying everything.

Studies show that the greatest amount of FOP occurs before trips to Los Angeles. Victims have been heard to obsessively repeat the phrase, "But it usually never rains this time of year." One study, though, suggests a slight reduction of FOP among stylish women. In fact, FOP is cited for the recent popularity of the color black.

The luggage industry knows about FOP and markets its product accordingly. Of the 2.7 billion pieces of luggage sold annually in the United States, an estimated 70% are what the industry considers redundant. "People are looking for the perfect bag," said George Wiley of the American Luggage Association in Samsonite, Ga. "And we keep telling them we have it."

In various cities, FOP support groups have formed. Members ("packers," they are called) are encouraged to pack and check into a local hotel. There, they unpack to determine if they have everything they need. Satisfied, they then return home where they leave the bag untouched. "Packers" are also encouraged to call other members of the group the night before a trip. All together, these groups have accounted for 18 marriages and 36 brief affairs. (But 11 of the marriages ended on account of fights about what to take on a trip.)

FOP seizes me the night before I travel. I envision rain in the desert and cold in the tropics. Where's my passport? Should I take my bush jacket so I'll look like a reporter? In the long night, I toss and turn, filling an imaginary trunk with just the barest of essentials.

In the morning, I'm off, lugging two bags through the airport like a human mule — and always setting off the airport security alarm. It's my fault, I know. But I just can't travel without my coffee maker.

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B'nai B'rith League official

Retired ad man Rose fights for human rights

By
BELINDA SILBERMAN

TORONTO —
Community leader Jerry Rose remembers a time when virtually the only industry open to Jews in Canada was the needle trade.

It was the 1930s and hatred against Jews was rampant.

Rose recalls seeing a gang of militant young French Canadians marching in front of Montreal's Jewish Y, yelling in Quebecois, "Down with the Jews."

Jews were restricted to certain areas of the city and couldn't buy property in places like Outremont or Mount Royal, he says.

And when Rose, at 15, tried to pursue studies at Outremont's Strathcona Academy, he was expelled because he refused to put up with his teacher's constant remarks of: "How good Outremont was before *you* people started coming here."

It's those early experiences that have led Rose, a 69-year-old retired advertising and marketing executive, to take the helm of Jews and other minorities' fight for human rights in Canada.

Since September, 1988 he has acted as Central Region co-chairman of B'nai B'rith Canada's League for Human Rights. He also sits on a number of race relations committees in the city.

"I guess I have an empathy with people who are discriminated against," he says in an interview at his downtown Spadina Rd. apartment overlooking Casa Loma.

"I feel for people like the Blacks who can't get jobs or who can't get into schools."

Rose was born in Montreal to East European immigrants Samuel, a peddler-businessman, and Lily, a homemaker. He had three siblings.

Finishing high school in the 1930s, Rose became a social worker specializing in group work.

Around the same period, Rose became a founding member and president of BBC's first AZA chapter, Altros. In 1941, he became BBC's first paid staff member, holding the position of AZA director for two years.

Jerry Rose

Since then, Rose, who started up an ad agency in Montreal in 1956, has held a dizzying list of volunteer positions in BBC, including many high-ranking executive posts.

Looking back over the last 50 years, he says BBC lodges have become increasingly less important and "more and more people are joining BBC to support it, but they don't necessarily get deeply involved in regular lodge meetings."

Some of members' efforts are being channelled into BBC's League for Human Rights and International Affairs Institute, he says.

"So from that point of view, B'nai B'rith is far more involved than it ever was in the overall community and the Jewish community specifically."

The idea of having an important "spokesgroup" to represent the Jewish community nationally on issues of anti-semitism has also made the League's work very important, he says.

Jews — whom he calls a "vulnerable" minority as opposed to a visible one — have never felt secure, he says. They are also currently facing increased hatred in North America, he says.

But the League doesn't only focus on anti-semitism. It fights hatred against other groups as well, he says.

"The major change at the League has been a recognition that you can't fight anti-semitism in isolation," Rose explains.

"In other words, you have to fight the general concept of racism."

The Jewish community is also becoming an increasingly less powerful group in Canada as many minorities emigrate from other lands.

By the year 2000, Canada will likely be a nation of communities and minorities and "unless we are able to overcome intolerance, discrimination, racism, the nation is going to fall apart," he warns.

And if Jews don't stand up for other groups' causes, "they will not join us in ours," he adds.

Rose says the League has become increasingly "proactive" in its approach, taking measures before incidents occur.

For example, it instigates joint meetings between BBC lodges and other communities. It also sends representatives to forums and conferences involving human rights and race relations.

It also runs its own forums and symposiums and is currently in the process of organizing a youth conference on race relations.

Rose, who oversees much of the League's Central Region work along with co-chairman Simon Adler, a Kitchener, Ont. lawyer, says his workload hasn't let up since his so-called retirement in 1986 when he sold his ad agency, Cardon, Rose Inc.

"I'm as busy as I ever was. The only thing is my work is on a voluntary basis. Business has been good to me and now that I've retired, I feel that I owe it to society to make a contribution and I've chosen the field of human rights to do so."

Currently, Rose is one of 13 members on the Toronto Mayor's Committee on Community and Race Relations, director of the Urban Alliance on Race Relations, and chairman of the editorial board of the publication, Currents: Readings on Race Relations.

In the future, Rose says it will not only be important for the League to win over allies, but it must also strive to educate the Jewish community, which is "not without prejudice itself.

"We have a job to do to educate our own community on the acceptance of other minorities."

Jews must also be taught that the use of Yiddish words such as "schwartzer," "goy" and "shikseh," meaning "Black," "Gentile" and "Gentile woman" when speaking English, have derogatory connotatons, he says.

Friction between various groups in the Jewish community also needs to be smoothed over, with a middle ground being found between the ultra-Orthodox and secular Jew, he says.

CJC Ottawa to monitor cuts in federal government budget

By
JEFF ROSEN

OTTAWA —
Planned cutbacks in social services and transfer payments for health and education in the recent federal budget will be closely monitored by Canadian Jewish Congress, says its director of legislative analysis and social policy.

"I was quite dismayed that such a significant cut was made from the amount of money to be made available to the provinces as a result of the budget," Eric Vernon told The CJN shortly after the release of the financial document. "The general trend towards cutbacks in social spending is something we will keep an eye on."

In presenting his leaked budget, federal Finance Minister Michael Wilson said the government would reduce provincial transfer payments for health and education by 1% or $200 million beginning in 1990-91. As well the government plans to begin taxing back Old Age Security and family allowance payments for those making over $50,000.

The benefits—will be repayable at a rate of 15% of net income exceding $50,000. Repayments will be calculated on the income tax return and will be phased in over three years.

As far as Ottawa's decision to pull out of a $4 billion program to jointly provide 200,000 day care spaces with the provinces over the next seven years, Vernon said CJC may make a statement in the future. This expenditure reduction will save the government $175 million this year and $195 million in 1990-91.

Eric Vernon

In the meantime, he said Congress plans to study the government's financial blueprint and monitor its effects.

"If we perceive there are certain areas of social programs that are of concern to CJC that are being adversely affected, then we can make our feelings known and try to suggest our community representatives make their feelings known as well," explained Vernon. "Advocacy through provincial governments can be just as effective, if not more."

While the uproar over Wilson's 5th budget will eventually die down, Vernon's duties certainly won't.

As Canadian Jewish Congress' representative in the nation's capital for the past two years, Vernon is responsible for keeping an eye on Parliament and flagging issues of concern to the CJC.

"If something important happens suddenly or if Congress needs to know about something right away, I'll put together an immediate analysis," said Vernon.

While Parliament is in session, Vernon also produces Hansard Highlights, a weekly review of parliamentary developments of interest to CJC. Information is gathered through monitoring parliamentary sittings, committee meetings, special hearings, and government briefings.

He also publishes Ottawa Digest four times a year, in conjunction with CJC's national department of communications.

This periodical reviews and analyzes government policies and initiatives which have an impact on Canada's Jewish community.

As well as child care, the Ottawa office focuses on a range of issues from war criminals, to refugee determination to multiculturalism.

Although only two war criminals in Canada have been charged since the release of the Deschenes Commission report in 1986, Vernon says this issue is still very important to Congress and the government.

"We have been talking with the new justice minister and he assures us it still has top priority on his agenda. So we are hopeful other prosecutions will follow and the pace will pick up," said Vernon, who also serves as director of the law and social action committee.

"We're sensitive of the need to gather evidence and present solid cases," he added.

In keeping track of the government's multicultural record, Vernon said the Multiculturalism Act passed last year was welcomed by CJC as a sign it was being institutionalized and reflected the reality of Canadian society.

However, he said Congress has some concerns with the policy's implementation. He said Congress would like to see an official multiculturalism commissioner appointed, similar to that of the bilingualism commissioner, to provide a "watchdog" role.

More recently, he said CJC has been concerned with the amalgamation of the standing commission on multiculturalism with culture and communications.

"We think this is a downgrading of the status of the standing committee on multiculturalism, particularly since the government has placed a heavy role on it being a monitoring mechanism for the implementation of the act," he said.

In a recent letter to Multiculturalism Minister Gerry Weiner, outgoing CJC president Dorothy Reitman also criticized the move to amalgamate committees, saying it will "diminish our common goal of enhancing the ethnicity of Canada.

"The act targeted the standing committee on multiculturalism as the chief mechanism to ensure government compliance with the new multicultural policies. The proposed standing committee on communications, culture, citizenship and multiculturalism cannot be expected to perform this vital oversight task nearly as effectively as the act requires."

In the area of refugee determination, Vernon says Congress has been active for many years in making its feelings known.

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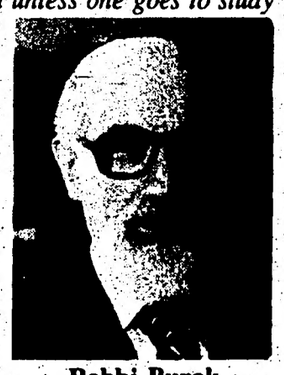
Living Halacha

By
RABBI MOSES J. BURAK

QUESTION: What stand do the rabbanim take on the problem of Israeli yordim?

ANSWER: Maimonides, the Rambam, states in his Code, in the section of Kings And Wars, Chapter 5:9: "It is forbidden to emigrate from the Land of Israel and go abroad unless one goes to study the Torah or to marry a wife, or to rescue property from the heathens, and then returns to the Land of Israel.


Rabbi Burak

"But one is forbidden to make one's home abroad, unless there is famine in the Land of Israel, so severe, that a *dinar's* worth of wheat is selling for two *dinar*. This holds good only if money is available and food is high.

"But, if food is cheap and money is scarce, and one is unable to earn it, and one has no savings, then one may go to any place where one can make a living . . . But, though it is permitted to emigrate, the act is not in conformity with the law of saintliness."

Remember Mahlon and Chilion! They were the two great men of their generation. They left the Land of Israel at a time of great distress; nevertheless, they incurred thereby the penalty of extinction."

Maimonides did not live his life in an ivory tower. He spent the greater part of his life in Egypt, having fled there after his brother was murdered in the Land of Israel. There are a number of points in this ruling by the Rambam that are strange.

1. There seems to be no Talmudic source for the statement, "It is forbidden to emigrate from the land of Israel . . ." except one in Tractate Kiddushin, 31b, that is somewhat questionable:

"Rav Assi had an aged mother. Said she to him, 'I want ornaments.' So he made them for her. 'I want a husband.' — 'I will seek one for you.' 'I want a husband as handsome as you.' Thereupon he left her and went to the Land of Israel.

"On hearing that she was following him, he went to Rabbi Yohanan and asked him, 'May I leave the Land of Israel for Chutz la-Aretz?' 'It is forbidden,' he replied." This is the source for the Rambam's ruling. But, as the Gaon Arieli z.l. points out in his Einayim le-Mishpat on our tractate, the Shulchan 'Aruch does not follow the Rambam on this matter.

Why not? Because it overlooks the fact that Rav Assi was a Cohen, a priest, as is stated in Tractate Megillah 22a, and this was a question in priestly law. It was forbidden to Rav Assi to leave the Land of Israel because he was a priest. Were he a layman, the rule might have been different.

You see, all lands outside Israel are suspected of Levitical uncleanness (Tractate Shabbas, 15a). In Erubin, 47a, we are told when and why a Cohen may go abroad: "If he is a priest he may incur the risk of ritual defilement by going outside the Land of Israel to litigate with the idolaters and contest their claim."

Now, Rav Assi, as a priest, was told he couldn't leave Israel. Then, an ordinary Israelite, might be permitted. Another difficulty lies in Maimonides' citing the law of saintliness as a basis for not leaving the Land, even in case of great urgency. Can we ask everyone to abide by the law of saintliness?

Still, Maimonides is right. After the Holocaust, we should all understand how sweet it is to live in Israel. The people who landed in Entebbe knew it when they were brought to safety in Israel.

When they landed safely, they knew they were home.

Civil commemoration in Capitol rotunda

U.S. troops mark Yom Hashoa

By
CJN NEWS SERVICES

The six million Jews who died in the Nazi Holocaust were memorialized by the American armed services, federal agencies and Jewish organizations last week in a series of events across the country marking the annual Days of Remembrance.

America's national civil commemoration of the Days of Remembrance was held in the Capitol's magnificent rotunda, The CJN's Joseph Polakoff reports, while in East Berlin, the local Jewish community for the first time joined Jews around the world in commemorating Yom Hashoa.

In previous years no Jewish ceremony commemorating the Holocaust was permitted in East Germany. Instead, Jews observed a day set aside by the government for all "victims of fascism" every year in September.

The president of the East Berlin Jewish community, Dr. Peter Kirchner, said the change was part of a general shift of government policy towards Israel which began last year. "Previously," he said, "marking holidays or other events connected with Israel was not desirable."

Meanwhile in Washington, every aspect of the hour-long, noon-day program in the Capitol received rapt attention from the overflow attendance of more than 1,000 Holocaust survivors and friends, including scores of members of Congress and high government officials.

Held last year at the state department auditorium while the rotunda was undergoing renovation, the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council's ceremonies appeared to add dimensions of significance and awe in the hallowed precincts beneath the Capitol's lofty dome, Polakoff reports.

Jews and non-Jews, secular and religiously observant, joined in family-like unity in respect and remembrance of the victims of the Nazi atrocities in World War II.

All heads bowed when Misha Raitain, the Metropolitan Opera tenor who had emigrated with his family from Ukraine to Israel, intoned El Moleh Rachamim in memory of all the dead and heard the prayers of invocation and benediction by Rev. Douglas Huneke, of the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Iburon, Calif., and Rabbi Pinchas Teitz, of Elizabeth, NJ.

Tall and erect at age 80, the white-haired rabbi, attired in a black suit and black yarmulke was an imposing figure at the dais as he also rendered the kaddish.

A prolonged standing ovation was given to Mrs. Benjamin Henry Dorsey, daughter of the late General of the Army Omar Nelson Bradley, as she stepped to the dais to receive the Eisenhower Liberation Medal given to her father posthumously by the Council.

Responding to "the outpouring of love in this beautiful ceremony," Dorsey recalled that when her father returned home from Europe in 1945, "the first thing he told mother was about the death camps. I could see he was still moved" by that experience.

Generals Bradley, Dwight D. Eisenhower and George Patton toured the newly liberated Ohrdruf slave camp on April 12, 1945. Bradley wrote in his memoirs that at the camp "death had been so overwhelmed by degradation that it both stunned and numbed us."

Harvey Meyerhoff, the Council's chairman, who read a message of support and sympathy from President George Bush, suggested "remembrance reinforces our commitment to the American creed" and therefore "let us remember together — for together we can insist that the world not forget. And if we and they do not forget, then who knows who can be saved in the future?"

The party leaders in the Senate joined in the ceremonies. Senators Bob Dole and George Mitchell both participated in the lighting of the six candles in honor of the six million Jewish victims. In the program's principal address, Dole said: "The physical acts of the Holocaust ended more than four decades ago; the memories of the Holocaust are still with us today; and the lessons of the Holocaust must remain in our hearts and minds forever. That is our promise; that is our determination. That is the only way . . . the only way, to give those six million victims, finally, their own true peace."

Survivors William Lowenberg and Benjamim Meed, of the Council, expressed gratitude to America and to the U.S. Army who liberated them. "We will never, never forget you," Lowenberg said of the soldiers.

A major theme at the events sponsored by Jewish organizations in New York was the survivors' identification with Israel. "On this Day of Remembrance, we declare to the world that we stand as one with the people and the State of Israel," read a statement adopted by 5,000 survivors and their families at the country's largest commemoration, held in New York City under the auspices of the Warsaw Ghetto Resistance Organization (WAGRO).

Hundreds of thousands of Americans across the country observed this year's commemoration, according to Benjamin Meed, chairman of the Days of Remembrance Committee of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council.

In a statement setting the tone for the nationwide observances and read in New York, Bush underscored the importance of remaining "ever mindful of the dangers of bigotry, hatred and totalitarianism."

Meanwhile the U.S. department of defence issued a 144-page booklet as a guide for commanders and project officers at military installations and aboard ships. The publication includes a sample memorial ceremony, quotations and resource materials from survivors, liberators and scholars, background material on the Holocaust and letters of greeting from Bush and Deputy Secretary of Defence William H. Taft IV.

In his message, Taft wrote that observances during the Days of Remembrance "give us a chance to reaffirm our belief in the worth and dignity of every individual and to strengthen our dedication to peace and security."

At Memorial Hall, the most hallowed spot at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md., a Holocaust memorial service was held that included the dramatic presentation of a Torah saved from a Czechoslovakian town whose Jewish residents perished in the tragedy.

Longtime naval observers noted the significance of such a ceremony, the 2nd annual Yom Hashoa commemoration to be held at the academy, and the level of naval and local dignitaries who participated.

Jewish residents of Annapolis were moved while listening to Hebrew prayers sung by the 50-voice Naval Academy Glee Club and Cantor Melvin Luterman of Baltimore in the halls of the academy.

In Israel, annual Holocaust Day events were overshadowed by two current events that many Israelis saw linked to the Holocaust: Yasser Arafat's official visit to France and the ongoing controversy over the Carmelite convent at Auschwitz.

The convent controversy was cited prominently at the central Holocaust memorial event at the Yad Vashem, and recurred at other services around the country on Yom Hashoa.

"We, the survivors of the ghettos, the concentration camps and the resistance, appeal to the church to remove the shadow of the cross from Auschwitz," said Moshe Mills, chairman of the Council of Organizations of Former Partisans, at the Yad Vashem ceremony.

At the Western Wall, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir joined others in reading the names of victims of the Nazis. Similar memorials were held at Jerusalem's Great Synagogue, at the Knesset, in other locations in Israel and in 15 other countries, including the Soviet Union.

Germans build shul for Israelis

JERUSALEM (JTA) — On the eve of Yom Hashoa, Holocaust Memorial Day, a new synagogue was inaugurated in Ma'aleh Adumim, just outside Jerusalem, that was built with the contributions of hundreds of German Christians as a token compensation for the arson of hundreds of synagogues on Kristallnacht 50 years ago.

The new synagogue, Mitzpe Nevo, was built at the initiative of the International Christian Embassy in Jerusalem.

A spokesman for the embassy said that Israel's Christian friends throughout the world wish to demonstrate their participation in the renaissance of religious and social activities in Israel through this synagogue.

The inauguration ceremony at Ma'aleh Adumim — located east of Jerusalem in the West Bank — was attended by hundreds of German guests. The 3-storey building includes the synagogue, a community centre and a child day care centre.

Minister-without-portfolio Avner Shaki, of the National Religious Party, said at the ceremony that peace in the area was necessary to prevent a second Kristallnacht and that the existence of the State of Israel is the best guarantee for the continued existence of the Jewish people.

Netherlands permitting kosher ritual slaughter

AMSTERDAM (JTA) — The Netherlands will continue to allow kosher meat exporters to conduct ritual slaughter of animals on Dutch soil.

The Netherlands Council of State made the ruling April 18, turning down a petition brought by the Netherlands Society for the Protection of Animals to ban such slaughter.

The decision is a provisional one only, and the Society for Animal Protection can appeal.

Though it had not opposed ritual slaughter for local consumption, the society had opposed it for meat intended for export, which constitutes by far the large part of Jewish ritual slaughter.

Two slaughterhouses in Holland currently export kosher meat: one in Apeldoorn, which provides kosher meat for the Jewish community of Zurich, and one in Bois le Duc, which slaughters calves for Israel.

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Seeds of philanthropy go back to grandfather

Monty Hall honored for humanitarian work

By
JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL — A stranger called Weidman who gave a lonely, penniless Jewish immigrant from the Ukraine his first hot meal upon arrival in Winnipeg at the turn of the century planted the seed for a tradition of philanthropy that has made TV game show host Monty Hall one of the most successful fund raisers in the world.

David Rusen, Hall's maternal grandfather, earned his first living in the New World, with the help of Weidman, as a fruit pedlar with a push-cart, which enabled him to bring over his wife and three children in 1906. In time, Hall related, his grandfather became a pillar of the community, well known for his work in settling Jewish immigrants and as founder of the Talmud Torah.

His daughter (Hall's mother), the late Rose Halparin, years later was a vice-president of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO and national chairman of Youth Aliyah.

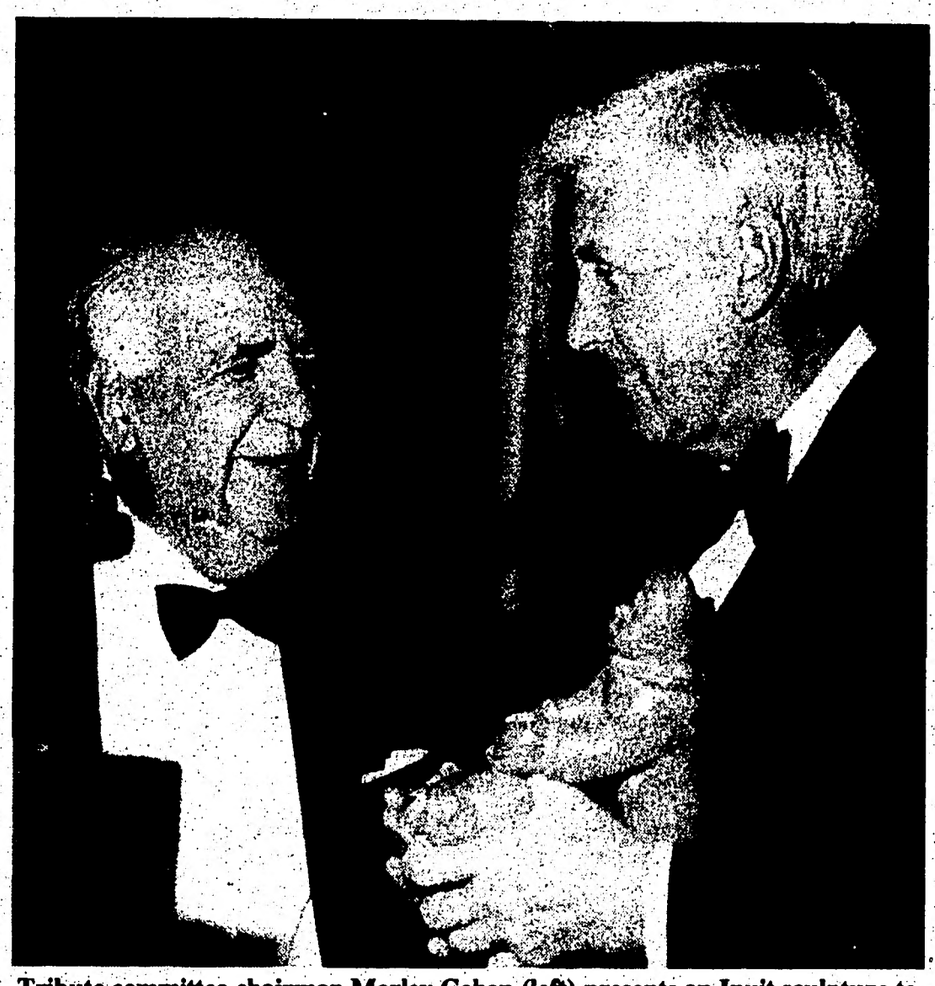
"Tzedakah comes naturally to me; it's part of my heritage," said Hall, at a dinner in his honor held by the Canadian Friends of the Haifa University (CFHU). Hall, who hosted the show Let's Make a Deal, which ran from 1964-1986, received an honorary PhD from Haifa University, its highest honor.

More than 500 people attended the dinner held at the Bonaventure Hilton Hotel. The guest speaker was Ted Koppel, anchorman of the ABC television network's show Nightline.

The dinner established the David Goodman Memorial Scholarship, named for the late president of the Canadian Friends' Montreal Chapter who died last year while in office. Dinner chairman Martin Levine announced that, by the start of the evening, $772,500 had been reached toward the $1 million goal. Goodman's widow Phyllis and son Mark accepted the citation.

Hall was honored for his humanitarianism, which has inspired him to raise some $300 million over the years for numerous charities, especially those associated with underprivileged children, the handicapped and diseases, as well as Israel. Hall is lifetime international chairman of Variety Clubs, described as the largest children's charity in the world.

Morley Cohen, chairman of the tribute committee who has known Hall since their boyhood in Winnipeg, said Hall has never taken a fee for his more than 100 appearances a year on behalf of charitable causes. "He's an extraordinary human being...a gentleman with a kind heart."



Tribute committee chairman Morley Cohen (left) presents an Inuit sculpture to Monty Hall at a dinner in his honor organized by the Canadian Friends of Haifa University.

Hall showed an early flair for the stage while at the University of Manitoba, where he received a Bachelor of Science degree. He appeared in many musicals and dramatic productions and served as emcee of army shows during the war.

He began his career in Toronto as an actor, singer, sportscaster and emcee, and moved to the United States in 1955 to work in TV.

Hall credited his TV career with allowing him to work for charity. "The show gave me the recognition and monetary rewards to do it."

The rewards of good work can be seen "in the eyes of a child in a hospital bed who has been given a little hope, in the embrace of the parents at that child's bedside...

"You don't have to wait for the ratings Monday morning to find out how you did."

Among those seated at the head table were Haifa University president Amos Erian, Israeli Consul Tova Levy, Rose and Ray Wolfe of Toronto, honorary president of CFHU; Michael Davis, also of Toronto, CFHU president; Ruth and Mickey Rosenthal, past president of the CFHU Montreal chapter and the late Goodman's brother-in-law; Irene and Abe Pollin of Bethesda, Md., owner of the Washington Capitals hockey and Washington Bullets basketball teams and a friend of Koppel; and Nancy and Rabbi Allan Langner.

Also in attendance were Monty's brother Bob Hall, a Toronto lawyer; Sen. Leo Kolber; Morton Bessner, founding CFHU Montreal chairman; Canadian Jewish Congress president Dorothy Reitman; Gordon Brown; Jewish National Fund president Neri Bloomfield; and Sheila Kussner.

Erian said Haifa University is remarkable because of the dialogue it continues to promote between Jews and Arabs. Eighteen percent of its students are Israeli Arabs, exactly proportional to the population. Through its Jewish-Arab Centre, Jewish and Arab students and faculty engage in projects felt throughout the country.

"Haifa University has provided an example to the country that Jews and Arabs can live together in self-respect and understanding even as the Palestinian uprising is in its second year."

Haifa also has an important role to play in northern Israel, he said. Many of its students come from development and border towns. In addition, Haifa serves as the academic centre of the Israel Defence Forces.

"At Haifa, you will find military officers studying side by side with Arabs," Erian noted.

On the negative side, he said Haifa is experiencing "severe financial problems" that has led to the firing of promising young academicians.

Koppel spoke about the responsibility of the media, particularly TV which is tremendously influential, yet basically superficial. "Money, fame and influence without responsibility are the assets of a courtesan."

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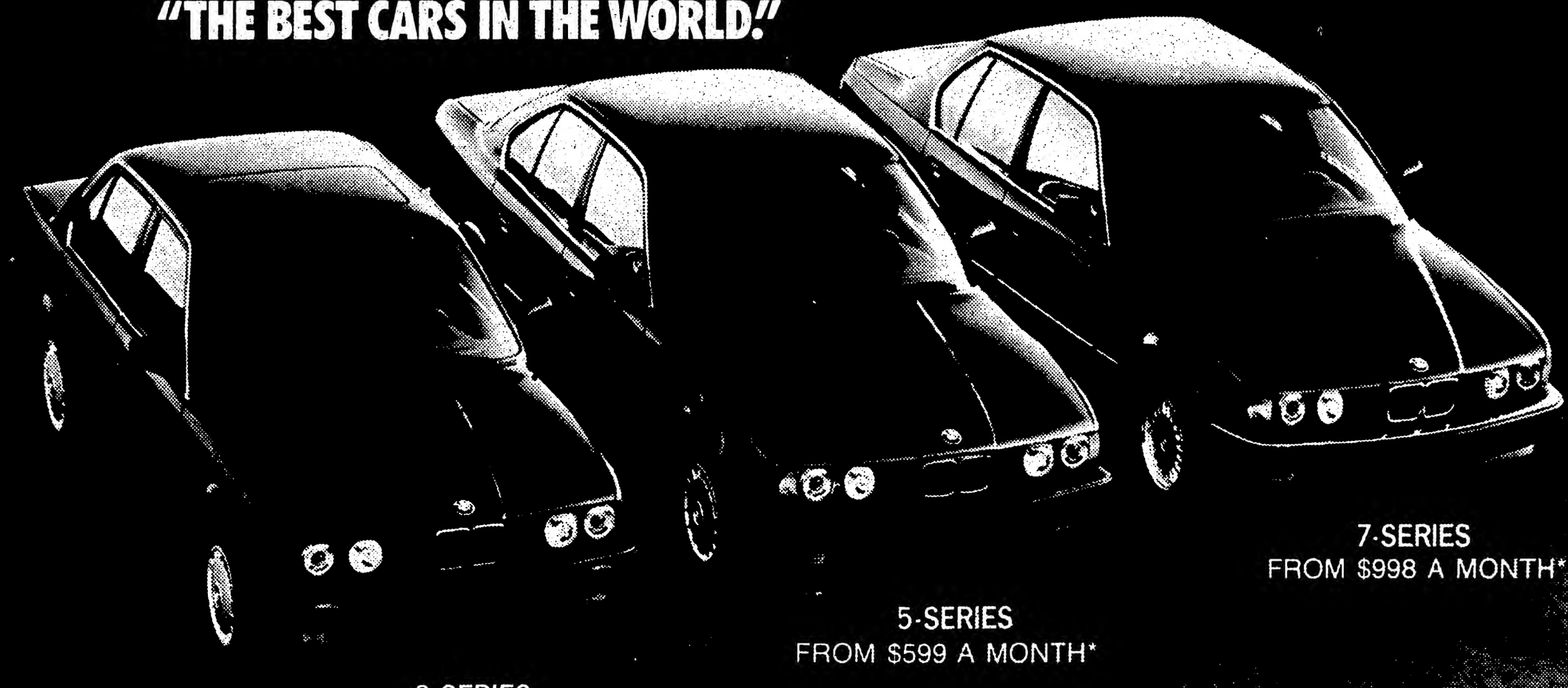

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"Voice is small compared to business"

Senior citizens' group disturbed by budget cuts

By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —

The federal budget violates the principle of universality and bears down heavily on those of low and fixed incomes, says the president of a national senior citizens' coalition.

Jean Woodsworth, president of One Voice, a national coalition of senior citizens' groups and individuals, said Finance Minister Michael Wilson reassured her during a pre-budget consultation meeting that he had no intention of touching social programs in the federal budget (CJC March 23).

However, in presenting his leaked budget, Wilson announced that the government will tax back payments of Old Age Security and family allowance payments from those whose net income exceeds $50,000.

"Wilson is trying hard to listen to us, but our voice is small compared to business," said Woodsworth, who met with the finance minister at a post-budget breakfast.

This "clawback" measure will be phased in over three years with actual repayments set at one-third of the amount repayable in 1989, two-thirds in 1990 and the full amount repayable in 1991 and subsequent years. It is expected to save the government $215 million in 1990-91.

When fully implemented the move is expected to see some 368,000 families paying back all of their family allowance and 54,000 seniors returning their OAS checks via their income tax.

"We think this is grossly unfair and goes against the principle of universality," said Woodworth.

"Fifty thousand dollars is not a lot to raise a family on these days," she added.

Instead of just using a "clawback" on these social benefits, Woodsworth said the income tax system should have been used to draw proportional amounts from all taxpayers.

Woodsworth said she thinks senior citizens will be embarrassed by the government's decision to cut $360 million annually from its foreign aid budget.

As well, she expressed her opposition to reductions in federal transfer payments to the provinces and found the cutbacks in the child care bill "real shocking."

The federal government hopes to save $175 million in 1989-90 and $195 million in 1990-91 as a result of its decision to pull out of a $4 billion program to joinly provide 200,000 day care spaces over the next seven years.

However it will continue to share the cost of child care services for lower income parents who qualify under the current Canada Assistance Plan.

It is also projected to save some $200 million beginning in 1990-91 by reducing transfer payments under the Established Programs Financing — used by provincial governments to fund health and education — by 1%.

Woodsworth also criticized the new Goods and Services Tax, saying it will bear most heavily on those living on fixed and low incomes.

"It could push those living just above the poverty line below it."

This new sales tax will be introduced on Jan. 1, 1991 and will be a multi-stage levy imposed on the vast majority of goods and services consumed. The initial rate will be 9%.

The tax will not apply to basic groceries, prescription drugs, loans, mortgages and life insurance premiums and medical devices. Residential rents, child care, legal aid and most health, dental and educational services will be tax-exempt.

While the finance minister promised to increase sales tax credit — $140 for adults and $70 for children — at quarterly intervals to offset this new tax for those on low incomes, Woodsworth claimed this will not help.

"If you live on or below the poverty line you have nothing to live on. "Even if you're getting a check once a month, it's still going to hurt these people."

Jean Woodsworth

Loren Freid, coordinator of the North Food Bank, also had harsh words for the budget, saying he could not condone any sort of situation which would create larger lines at the food bank.

Freid said that the emphasis on reducing the deficit will make it harder to implement recommendations in the Thomson report as it will reduce provincial coffers by about $500 million.

The Social Action Review Committee, chaired by George Thomson, released its government-appointed study on Ontario's social assistance system last year. It called for a major shift in the province's social welfare system which would take place in five stages, including new income support programs for children and the disabled.

A number of the proposals called for participation of the federal govenment.

"Comparative evidence suggests there is room in the present context for Canada to do more (in the area of social programs) without creating an undue burden on the economy," the report states. "We believe, as do many experts in the field, that social spending as a whole is not inherently inconsistent or incompatible with economic growth and productivity."

Objection voiced to paper's headline

By
DAVID LAZARUS

MONTREAL —

The editor-in-chief of the French language daily Journal de Montreal agreed to meet last week with officials from Canadian Jewish Congress and Allied Jewish Community Services upset over a headline proclaiming that non-Jewish patients in Jewish hospitals are "forced to eat kosher" and to follow Jewish "rites".

Jack Jedwab, director of community relations for the Quebec Region of CJC, said a "significant and immediate clarification" over the headline was being sought from editor Raymond Tardif.

"There is no question that it is inflammatory and sensational," Jedwab said.

The headline appeared in the province's best-selling newspaper on the last day of Passover.

The accompanying article described the policy of the province's Jewish health care institutions, which all have kosher kitchens, to enforce Jewish dietary laws.

According to the article, a non-Jewish patient at the Jewish Rehabilitation Hospital (JRH) in Chomedey called the newspaper to complain when the other (Jewish) patients in the room protested her eating a muffin, which was not kosher for Passover.

The article stated that the woman, who was not identified, said she wasn't forewarned of the policy and was told by a nurse she could eat non-kosher food "in the cellar."

The article also raised the issue of a publicly financed institution's right to impose religious law and quotes an unnamed source in the Quebec ministry of health and social services as saying the subject would be raised with the hospitals.

But according to Jacques Hendlisz, the JRH's executive director, "I'm quite sure the ministry knows how we operate" at the JRH, a 120-bed facility with almost half non-Jewish patients.

Jedwab said officials were most disturbed by the headline, which was "obviously inspired by a negative stereotype."

But the article also was misleading since it "puts the issue in no context — that public institutions have respected the cultural and religious particularities of faith communities," Jedwab said.

Hendlisz told The CJN that all incoming patients are verbally informed about kashruth policy and that the information is also on a printed pamphlet patients receive.

The JRH and the five other Jewish institutions also take pains to accommodate patients and staff who desire to eat non-kosher with special rooms put aside on a lower floor for their convenience, Hendlisz said.

Perhaps a "handful" of patients question the policy over the course of a year and usually during Passover, when the enforcement of kashruth is most obvious due to the prohibition of bread.

In most instances the complaints have amounted to "Why can't we have a glass of milk with our meat?" Hendlisz said, but most of the time patients are in the process of recovery and the issue is not a priority in their minds.

In his memory this was the first time a patient has publicly complained about the policy.

"You can be sure if we received hundreds of complaints we'd be looking at it," he said.

Hendlisz said it was "difficult to say" just how legitimate the issue is, since policies have been determined both by long-standing traditions and public regulation.

Private individuals and the Jewish community built Montreal's Jewish health care institutions which established the kashruth policies.

But the provincial government has financed operating costs since 1971. Since the institutions also have privately-funded foundations under their corporate structures, it is not clear under whose jurisdiction the kashrut policy falls, Hendlisz said.

Hendlisz also noted that enforcing the policy is often "theoretical" since visitors are not checked to control what's coming in. Jewish patients have been known to smuggle in the occasional non-kosher smoked meat sandwich or pizza at Jewish hospitals and the policy is largely based on an honor system.

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DIARY ...of a People

By
DAVID BIRKAN

On May 7, 1944, the U.S. Senate repeated its opposition to admitting any significant number of refugees from the Holocaust. Even as the Jews' destruction became well known, the government continued to be adamant in refusing to shelter them.

The Nazi extermination of the Jews began in earnest with the invasion of the USSR on June 22, 1941. Directly behind the front line troops came the *einsatzgruppen*, mobile units that rounded up Jews and killed them in mass shootings. They massacred close to 1.5 million Jews throughout the Ukraine and Russia. By the end of 1941, the first death camp, Chelmno, began its work, followed by others like Belzec, Majdanek, Treblinka, Sobibor, and Auschwitz. Despite German secrecy, the overwhelming scale of their operation soon became knowledge in Western government circles — where it was suppressed.

In the U.S., the strong anti-foreign feelings and fear of aggravated unemployment that resulted in the country's first immigration quota, after World War I, continued. The situation was similar in Canada, compounded by anti-Jewish feelings in Quebec. Such xenophobia had already all but closed North American doors to hundreds of thousands of Czech, Austrian and German Jews in the late 30s, and had encouraged Hitler to step up his war on the Jews. Now, wartime prosperity was predicted to end with the hostilities, and the return of the Depression feared. Returning servicemen should not face undue competition for jobs, argued powerful U.S. veterans groups.

Their call for a virtual ban on immigration was echoed by a number of senators and congressmen who "embraced an intense anti-alienism that shaded into anti-semitism," according to author David Wyman in his *Abandonment of the Jews* (Pantheon Books, 1984). Hundreds of bills were introduced in Congress to minimize immigration. It was held to about 10% of the already small official annual quota, 154,000 (most of which was extended to the British and Irish, peoples far from needing refuge).

Polls throughout the war continued to demonstrate anti-alienism. Anti-semitism continued to climb, in part through the far reaching pre-war efforts of Catholic Father Charles Coughlin's Social Justice movement, William Pelley's Silver Shirts, the German-American Bund, and Rev. Gerald Winrod's Protestant Fundamentalist Defenders of the Christian Faith. New demagogues, including Catholic Father Edward Curran and fundamentalist preacher Gerald Smith, rose during the war. Beatings, vandalism, grafitti, and other anti-semitic incidents erupted. Government officials were inundated with hate-filled letters declaring Jews a menace to America.

These sentiments were reflected in Washington. In 1943, Jewish groups were advised by sympathetic lawmakers against pushing too hard for immigration because of the prevalence of unprecedented anti-semitism in Congress. The efforts of a small handful, like Senators Claude Pepper and James Murray, could not stem it. Nor could those of their isolated counterparts in major church groups. The U.S. joined other Western countries in forging the anvil to Hitler's hammer.

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INPARSHAL WORDS: Ab, pana

The Torah contains many words echoed in English. In last week's parsha, *Kedoshim, ab*; for father, suggests abbot, abbey, abbess, and related words. *Pana*, to face or turn towards, suggests bend.

The Concise Oxford Dictionary traces abbot through Old English *abbod*, and ecclesiastical Latin and Greek *abbas* to the Aramaic *abba*. Each word means father.

The COD takes bend through OE bendan and Old Norse bend to a theoretical German source **bandjan*. The asterisk means there is no written or verbal evidence for this word, which is made up on the basis of current etymological theory. The COD also associates bend with band, as in stripe.

The shewbread in the Temple, from which we derive our custom of two challot for Shabbat and Yom Tov, was called the *lechem panim*, the facing bread. Could that be the source of the French word for bread, *pain*, and for its Latin antecedent, *panis*? A Spanish derivative of panis is *panatella*; the long thin cigar was named after a biscuit of the same general shape.

A second conjecture: Could lechem panim, which was presented in a kind of deep tray, also be connected with the word pan, as in vessel? The COD traces pan back through Old English *panne*, Old Swedish *panna*, Old High German *phanna*, to a theoretical West German source **panna*. In a conjecture of its own, the COD says that pan comes "perhaps ultimately from the Latin *patina*," dish. Patina is not traced back any further.

4th woman to be given Beth Sholom award

Jeanne Sauve honored by shul

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO — The Beth Sholom Brotherhood annual Humanitarian Award was recently presented to Governor-General Jeanne Sauve, who becomes the fourth woman to be so honored in the 39-year history of the award.

The presentation was made by last year's winner — Mila Mulroney, wife of the Prime Minister. It is the first time women have been winners two years in a row. A total of 500 people took up every inch of space in the Brotherhood Hall.

Recalling Sauve's career as a journalist, "a voice of reform in Quebec," a Member of Parliament and then a minister of the crown, Mrs. Mulroney said she could not think of any other Canadian who symbolized so well the virtues recognized by the award.

The Prime Minister's wife said they are neighbors of Sauve in Ottawa and that she and the Governor-General often get together for a private lunch when "we can let our hair down," away from the cameras and the press.

"Would you like me to tell you what we talk about?" Mulroney asked and then quickly answered her own question: "We're saving that for our memoirs."

For her part, Sauve said no one else could have introduced her with the same sensitivity as Mila Mulroney. She said they were friends before the vagaries of politics brought them together and their friendship had increased since then.

"Thank you from the bottom of my heart," Sauve told the Brotherhood members. "I accept your award only on the understanding that it is on behalf of others who have helped the same cause."

Often it is not money or resources that people need to achieve their ambitions, but the human understanding that other Canadians can offer, she said. "We must not force them to cast aside their own cultures."

"The complexion of Canada has changed considerably," said Sydney Solomons, Brotherhood president. "Our neighbors may not look like us or pray like us but that is the real lesson of brotherhood."

Chairman Frank Cadesky said Sauve was "a truly gracious, kind and compassionate human being."

Among the guests introduced by Cadesky were two former award winners, Rev. Richard Jones (1957), former director of the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews and Roland Michener, 90, former Governor-General (1974).

Co-chairmen of the Humanitarian Award Committee were Mendel Green and Gordon Saltzman.

Mayor Fergus Brown, of the City of York, in which the synagogue is located, said residents of York speak 27 different languages and have learned how to get along.

A slightly partisan note was introduced by Robert Kaplan, former federal solicitor-general and Liberal MP for York Centre, when he recalled that Sauve was a cabinet member "when the ministers ran their own departments." He said it was the Governor-General who had inspired him to enter politics.

Toasts were proposed to the Queen, the President of the United States, and the President of Israel, the latter by Max Shecter who said the Israeli President Chaim Herzog will be a guest of the Sauves on an official state visit to Canada soon.

Greetings from Premier David Peterson were brought by Chaviva Hosek, provincial housing minister.

A huge bouquet of flowers was presented to Sauve by Sharon Rothblatt, Beth Sholom Sisterhood president.

Cantor David Bagley led the singing of national anthems. The introduction of head table guests was by Alex Serota and the invocation by Rabbi Harvey Meirovich, while greetings were brought by Carl Winer, president of Beth Sholom.

Among other guests were Emett Cardinal Carter; Phillip Givens, former Toronto mayor; Elizabeth Loweth, national director of the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews; Michael Harris, House leader of the Ontario Conservative Party; Norman Gardner, member of Metro Toronto council; Bernard Parl, immediate past Brotherhood president; Pauline McGibbon, former Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario; John Hall, U.S. consul-general; Chief Justice W. G. C. Howland of Ontario; and Dr. Joseph Wong, chairman of the Chinese Nursing Home Association of Greater Toronto.

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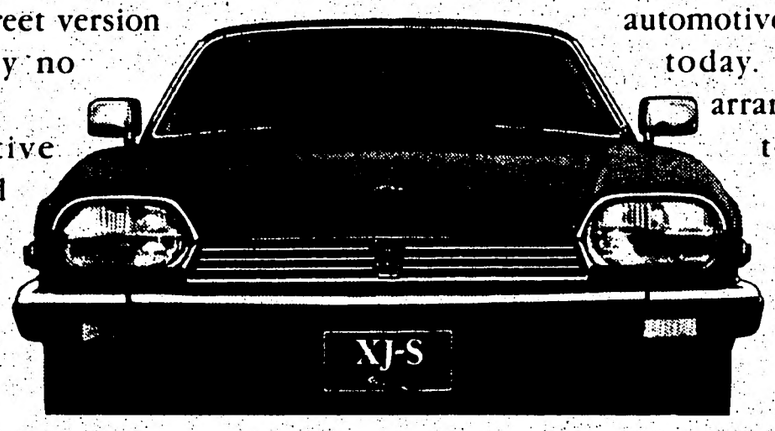

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Syrian barbarism

It is a continual source of astonishment to us that the small number of Jews and non-Jews who lobby, march and sign petitions demanding that Israel negotiate with the PLO, remove itself from the West Bank and Gaza, and permit the creation of a Palestinian state, remain nonetheless, unmoved by the Syrian-induced melt-down of Lebanon.

Their indifference to the barbarism of Assad's gunners — who have killed hundreds and maimed thousands in less than a month — is matched only by the indifference of the Western press in apportioning responsibility for the current round of blood-letting in Beirut.

The Western news media have adopted a hand-off posture in identifying the source of Lebanon's travail — in sharp contrast to their condemnation of Israel in 1982 when the Jewish state went after the PLO. Background analyses of the Lebanese situation appearing in the Western media concentrate on the tragic suffering of the Lebanese — which is appropriate — and remain silent on the unspeakable actions of the perpetrators of that suffering, the Syrians — which is morally reprehensible.

It comes as no surprise that Syrian artillery men, under the aegis of Assad, the most ruthless and cunning of the Arab autocrats, have fired hundreds of thousands of rounds on Lebanese citizens.

They have done this, according to Muhamad Mugraby (writing in the New York Times, April 28) "to maintain their access to illegal smuggling ports to protect the contraband and drug traffic some of their ranking officers direct for the benefit of the rulers in Damascus."

The West's craven attitude towards Syrian aggression in Lebanon is consistent with past behavior. Looking the other way is an addiction when it comes to evaluating Syrian morality. In Tadmur, Syria, 500 political prisoners were murdered by soldiers in their cells without that event causing even a ripple of comment in the West. The genocide in Hama which took the lives of more than 20,000 inhabitants of that unfortunate Syrian town has not even registered as yet on the consciousness of the West.

In Lebanon the Syrians pursue the same brutal policy of massacre which they have honed to a fine point in their own precincts. They have been aided and abetted in this disastrous path by the reluctance of the West to confront and condemn unequivocally the reality of Syrian aggression.

Kosher market

General Foods, one of the United States' largest cereal makers, has just produced 100,000 copies of an 8-page activity booklet for children called *Brachos For Breakfast.*

The booklet is the company's response to the extraordinary expansion of the kosher food market in North America and its realization says Isadore Barmash (New York Times, April 11) "that its biggest market was in the Northeast and that its kosher cereals for children had considerable potential."

General Foods is only one of many food retailers that has begun to understand the impact of a wider range of kashruth observance among Jews on this continent. In 1978 there were approximately 1,000 kosher food items available for the general public. That figure has now jumped to 17,000.

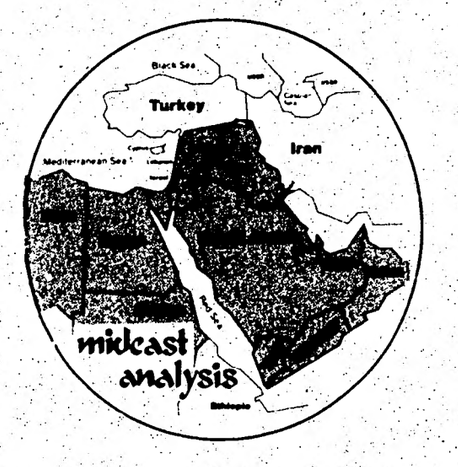
According to Barmash, consumers of kosher food products are not only Jews but include Seventh Day Adventists, Muslims and "others whose religious beliefs require diets similar to those of Orthodox Jews." The success of kosher food products is also traced in part to a belief among many Gentiles that "kosher food is cleaner and of better quality."

In response to this perception, some kosher producers are now emphasizing health foods, gourmet delicacies and microwave dishes. These products, says Barmash, "reflect the preferences of religiously observant people who are returning to religion but wish to observe it in a way to match their life style."

The source of the Jewish dietary laws is in the Hebrew Bible, in Leviticus, chapter 11. There, in order to achieve holiness, Jews are commanded to follow very specific regulations regarding food which is kosher and that which is not. Over the centuries the observance of kashruth has been one of the strongest elements bonding the Jewish people.

We are pleased that the bond is still strong and that even non-Jews are sharing its benefits.

New Lebanon woes inevitable



'How can one justify the violence when it defies all logic?'' — Patriarch Nasrallah Sfair, head of the Maronite Christian church in Lebanon.

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

The latest round of bloodletting in Lebanon, coming on the heels of clashes which pitted Christians against Christians and Shiites against Shiites, could have been preordained.

In fact, contrary to the noble sentiments expressed by Patriarch Sfair, it was probably inevitable and, therefore, hardly illogical.

The fighting in and around Beirut, which has taken the form of fierce artillery exchanges between Christians and Moslems backed by Syria, is a function of Lebanon's breakup as a cohesive nation. Even if it peters out, the likelihood of a recurrence is great.

Having forced some 250,000 people to flee a devastated city, the violence has claimed the lives of some 280 of Beirut's weary residents, including the Spanish ambassador to Lebanon, who was killed when a stray shell hit his villa.

The latest troubles stem from a constitutional crisis which has yet to be resolved. It, in turn, is a reflection of the problems arising from the second civil war which broke out in April of 1975. (The first such war, in 1958, was defused expeditiously.) Observers generally agree that if the basic issues are not addressed and finally resolved, Lebanon will surely drift into further chaos.

The current crisis started when Lebanon's divided parliament, which has not been convened in years, failed to choose a successor to the outgoing president, Amin Gemayel, whose term of office had expired.

Gemayel, having been elected at the height of the 1982 Lebanon War, was a weak figure whose domain did not extend beyond the Christian heartland around the capital. Under his undistinguished presidency, sectarian differences sharpened and Syria and Israel each consolidated their military presence in Lebanon, as the Palestinians reestablished some of their bases north of the Israeli border.

Gemayel, realizing that his successor would not be named, appointed an interim military governor under Gen. Michel Aoun, the Maronite commander of the fragmented and largely ineffective Lebanese army.

Crying foul, the Moslems (primarily the Sunnis, Shiites and Druze) unilaterally formed an alternative government led by the prime minister who had served in Gemayel's cabinet, Salim Hoss. He exacerbated the situation by naming Gen. Sami Khatib as army commander.

Determined to restore the central government's authority, such as it was and is, Aoun seized ports in East Beirut and Junieh run by the Lebanese Forces, the autonomous Maronite militia which held sway in Christian territory in the vicinity of Beirut. Aoun clamped down on the ports not only because he wished to assert his leadership, but also because they were withholding a fortune in customs duties.

In taking over the ports, Aoun defeated the Lebanese Forces, at a cost of 75 killed and 300 wounded. Having been subdued, Samir Geagea — the Maronite commander whom Syria has labelled an Israeli stooge — submitted to Aoun.

Prior to this development, two warring Shiite militias, the pro-Syrian Amal and the pro-Iranian Party of God, had signed a truce after months of bitter battles. The issues that set them on a collision course turned on which militia would dominate the Shiite community — the largest ethnic group in Lebanon — and the tactics by which to confront Israel in southern Lebanon.

Once Aoun had settled accounts with the Lebanese Forces, he blocked duty free ports under the auspices of the Druze and the Shiites. Hoss, the prime minister, warned him to desist. The upshot of his refusal was the Druze and Shiite bombardment of the Christian enclave. Their objective: to prevent the Christians from using the international airport in Christian territory and the port of Junieh a little farther north.

Syria, siding with the Moslem coalition, pounded East Beirut and the surrounding area remorselessly. Syria's president, Hafez Assad, had reason to side with the Moslems. In his view, Aoun had upset the delicate balance of power in the country by seizing Moslem ports. In addition, Aoun had enraged Assad by proclaiming a "war of liberation" against Syria. Demanding the withdrawal of Syria's 40,000 troops from Lebanon, Aoun had said: "The Syrian occupation is as ruthless... as Israel's occupation" of southern Lebanon. Aoun vowed the fighting would not stop until Syria had been driven out of Lebanon — an idle boast, given Syria's predominance.

Syria, since marching into Lebanon at the invitation of the Arab League, has striven to prevent its partition along religious lines and to keep it within its sphere of influence. Syria considers Lebanon part of historic Greater Syria.

In attempting to hew to this policy, Syria has used the Lebanese like pawns in an elaborate chess game. At the outset of the civil war, when the Christians were on the brink of defeat at the hands of the Moslems, the Syrians intervened on their behalf and saved the government from collapse. Things changed and the Syrians severed their marriage of convenience with the Christians and embraced the Moslems. Indeed, in 1978, Syrian artillery bombed East Beirut ruthlessly.

The bulk of Syria's army in Lebanon is in the eastern Bekaa Valley, but since February of 1987, some 12,000 Syrian soldiers have been stationed in West Beirut. It is they who have taken part in the recent battles between the Christians and the Moslems.

Syria's contention that Lebanon's ailments cannot be cured unless the basic political system is modified or changed is supported by the Moslem community, not to mention the U.S.

The Moslems argue that the 1943 National Pact, which apportioned power in Lebanon among its diverse religious and ethnic minorities, is blatantly out of date and in need of drastic revision.

In 1985, Syria took the lead in negotiating a new power-sharing agreement that seemed to offer Lebanon some hope. Gemayel, who had been portrayed as pro-Syrian when he entered office, played along with the Syrians. But at the last moment, under tremendous pressure from the majority of his Christian constituents, he backed out, and the Syrian scheme fizzled.

Aoun, for his part, is not opposed to tinkering with the political status quo, recognizing that the Maronites no longer form a majority of Lebanon's population. Aoun realizes that the ports issue can only be solved if the Moslems and Christians reach a broad political understanding on Lebanon's future. However, he will have no truck with such an arrangement until the Syrian army leaves Lebanon.

It is doubtful whether the Syrians will comply with his demand. Even Israel knows that Syria, for better or worse, has a role to play in a country which Damascus regards as its own backyard.

The already complex situation is exacerbated by Iraq's open support of the Maronites. Iraq, of course, is Syria's longstanding rival in the Arab world. And now the PLO, with Yasser Arafat at the helm, has joined the anti-Syrian front in Lebanon.

Poor Lebanon.

Christian women mourn over the bodies of two men killed in the current fighting.

Opinion

Minyan of chassidim in Eli Kassner's fingers

Two milestones loom large in guitar patriarch's life

By
DAVID BIRKAN

TORONTO —

Hebrew saved Eli Kassner's life.

In the face of two milestones, Canada's compact clean-shaven patriarch of the guitar recalls: "I could read Hebrew before I could read German. My father wanted me to be a rabbi. He taught it to me." Tarnopol-born Zvi Kassner, a twice-wounded and much decorated World War I soldier in the Austro-Hungarian army, perished along with most of the family in the Holocaust. Eli was born in Vienna in 1924.

In the summer of 1939, the small sickly boy was one of about 200 youngsters in a local HaNoar HaTzioni (Zionist youth) camp who were under the eye of an Hadassah-WIZO emissary. The shaliach was deciding whom to take with his 25 British visas for Palestine. Austria's Jewish community was crumbling in the virulent anti-semitism unleashed by the anschluss, Hitler's annexation of the country.

"My Hebrew was fluent. I was the only one who could talk to the shaliach. I became his translator, and he had me with him almost all the time. At the end of his 2-week stay, he picked 24 of the biggest, burliest boys . . . and me." His liveliness with guitar and song — a boon as morale continued to plummet — probably also helped, Kassner adds.

"I was on the last Youth Aliyah ship from Austria, in December, 1939. We sailed from Trieste to Haifa."

That was 50 years ago. One of his last memories of Vienna was the Kristallnacht destruction a month earlier of his neighborhood Turnergasse synagogue. He had sung in its choir for years. "I watched it burn down. I saw them plundering the menorah and the parochet (Ark cover). It was all so public. Everyone could stand around and watch."

He has never been back since then.

On Saturday night, May 27, the Toronto Guitar Society, new and longtime students, and colleagues at the University of Toronto and the Royal Conservatory of Music will pay tribute to him at the U of T's Edward Johnson Building. From the early 50s, after he came to Toronto, Kassner successfully devoted himself to making the classical guitar a respected instrument — Canada's Andres Segovia, he could be called.

Between 1940 Palestine and 1951 Toronto, Kassner:

- Pioneered in the Negev's first kibbutz, Revivim; *chavers* included the daughter of Golda Meir.
- Studied weaving at Kibbutz Yagur, where one day he returned from holiday to find all its men shipped away by the British to a concentration camp after they discovered weapons-making on site. "For a little while, I was one of four men left, along with some 1,200 women. The Tommies (British enlisted men) were very good, though," he recalls. "They woke up at 4 every morning to milk the cows and help with other chores, despite their officers' hatred for us."
- Instructed youngsters newly released from Buchenwald, in Hebrew, music, and art, at a youth village in the Jerusalem suburb of Ein Kerem.
- Did War of Independence Palmach duty, in defence against the Arabs in battles at Acre, Haifa, and Rosh Hanikra.
- Found time and place — amid the turbulence of a state rising out of the ashes — to play the guitar, to practice it, and to sketch and paint.

The tension of being involved or "on call all the time" became too much. In 1951, Kassner accepted his older brother Edward's offer to bring him to Toronto. He began as a clerk at the Whaley-Royce music shop. His salary was $20 a week.

While practising his guitar one day during a slack moment, Kassner was asked by a man off the street if he would teach him to play. "At that time, there was no such thing as classical guitar in Toronto," said Kassner in the guitar-lined study of his downtown home studio. It was even before rock n' roll began impressing its versions of the ancient instrument — it has evolved from the medieval Arabic *oud*, the ancient Greek *kithara*, and the biblical *kinnor* — on society.

That was in 1953. Within six months, he had 14 students. He quit his job several months later to teach full time. A few years later, he and his students founded the Guitar Society of Toronto, which began sponsoring local concerts by guitarists of international renown.

Meanwhile, he played: for the CBC's live dramas, for the Stratford Festival Orchestra, under Louis Applebaum, and in concerts.

Everything fell into place in 1958. Playing for Andres Segovia at a Guitar Society party in his honor here, he was invited by the Spanish master to study with him in Spain. A Canada Council grant enabled him to accept a month's sojourn in Santiago de Compostela.

Eli Kassner, now.

He returned to be invited to join the faculties of both the University of Toronto and of the latter's Conservatory of Music as their first teacher of classical guitar. "I decided to concentrate on teaching," said Kassner.

In 1967, he started his own school, the Eli Kassner Guitar Academy. He and his staff, who at peak numbered 20 instructors, taught classical, folk, flamenco, and just about every other style of guitar.

"Most of the good guitar players in Canada have gone through my hands," he says matter-of-factly. They include Liona Boyd, Norbert Kraft, Lynn Gangbar, flamenco expert David Phillips, the guitar duo of Don Wilson and Peter McAllister, and prodigy Gordie O'Brien, who 10 years ago played with the Toronto Symphony Orchestra at age 11. Past and present students include "practically all the people who teach in Winnipeg, Calgary, Hamilton, Montreal, and every other place in Canada."

Many will gather to toast, roast, and play for him at the May 27 birthday tribute. Barrel-chested, with overwhelming blue eyes and a shock of fiery hair barely singed by gray, the maestro is turning 65.

The Guitar Society has also grown since those early years. In 1975, it sponsored its first international festival, the first of its kind in North America, and still one of the largest in the world. Held every three years, the last one in 1987 brought 450 guitarists from around the world to Toronto and saw the commissioning of 70 new pieces, including five concertos. The next one is in 1990.

The tribute is a benefit, with proceeds going to the Society. For tickets, $50 each and tax deductible, or for more information, phone (416) 922-8002.

Kassner remains Jewish, although not in an organizational or organized way. The images of rabbis and dancing chassidim are among the "spontaneous" sketches and paintings that he has done over the years hanging on his walls. His father came from a chassidic family. Solemn and dancing rabbis also come buzzing forth on printouts from his computer.

Kassner's Hebrew is a little rusty, but still fluent. His eyes light up as he recalls accompanying Joso and Malka's Hebrew and Yiddish songs in the 60s. Recently, he arranged a guitar piece of three chassidic dances.

The other anniversary is the 50th year since he left Austria, a country he regards as a continuing hot bed of anti-semitism. To date, he has never returned, but this summer, he is planning to visit. "I've been all over the world, and I haven't been back yet. It's time to lay some ghosts to rest."

Meanwhile, the minyan of chassidim in his fingers will keep dancing over the strings.

Eli Kassner (left) and fellow kibbutzniks prepare an entertainment, 1940.

Nuggets in events and ads

Relief from headlines in Jerusalem

By
CARL ALPERT

JERUSALEM —

What is the first thing you think about when you hear the word Jerusalem? The Western Wall? King Solomon? The Hebrew University? Hostile Arabs? Religious zealots throwing stones on Shabbat?

Everyone may have a different image, picture or memory. But Jerusalem, the holy city of Judaism and Christianity, the capital of Israel, the centre of press, television and radio reports to the media of the world, a cosmopolitan, international metropolis, emerges quite differently as a quiet, provincial village if one were to judge from the pages of a paper, In Jerusalem, issued weekly by The Jerusalem Post for the local residents only.

Its reflection of the community life is to be found not only in news stories, but also in advertisements and personal items. A run through some recent issues reveals the following nuggets.

The local Jerusalem calendar of events lists classes or lectures in a wide range of subjects, such as Esoteric healing; Mysticism of the Hebrew language; Correct eating habits; Why it's hard to be a Jew in the Jewish state; Reflections on a trip to Moscow; Torah classes for women.

Brief ads: Volunteers wanted to take puppies from SPCA to old age home once or twice a month . . . Give happiness to the elderly. Jews by choice: counselling for converts. Going to Amsterdam? Can you take a guitar to someone there? Wanted: Wall Street Journals. Don't throw them out.

Offers from various readers: Cheap bus ticket to Egypt, for use any time. Six unopened bottles of assorted liqueurs, kosher. Metal succah frame.

Considering the bloody, riotous scenes at some soccer games, readers shuddered when they saw the headline: "Crowd Comes out for Gore." However, the story told of a good turnout in honor of visiting U.S. Senator Albert Gore.

Lest anybody get a wrong idea about the nature of life in Jerusalem, an item calls attention to the "mouth-watering" foods to be found at Haim the Butcher, on Ben-Maimon St. He lists such "delicacies" as ham, smoked eels and pork.

Those who have had unhappy experiences in lending books will understand the tragedy behind these two ads: One read: "Shelley Phillips, please return the Stones' book — it's been a year already." The other: "Have lent two books, *The Room Upstairs* and *Paper Children*, to someone but don't remember to whom. Please return urgently."

If readers have consumer problems, they have only to turn to Action Line to get results in such matters as overcharging of a telephone bill, improper installation of a boiler, a suitcase lost from the roof of a taxi — or help needed in dealing with a woman in an apartment house who daily releases her 20-odd cats in the courtyard and feeds them there.

A news item tells of one Avraham Fried who calls upon the secularists to "take to the streets" in confrontation with the religious zealots. The problem would then be solved, if the police would not interfere, he says.

Other helpful items: How to build a family tree. Wanted, a Torah reader for a senior citizens' synagogue.

On the highly personal level: "I was jogging, you were riding your bike 9 a.m. on Monday. We said hello. I'd like to meet you. Call Ilana at . . .

A news item about Debby Goldman, formerly of the U.S., who now teaches *raqs el sharki*, better known as belly-dancing. "If you don't have proper technique it becomes very vulgar," she says.

Wanted: Surprise! Having baby in our elder age, need all equipment in good condition.

A news story about a new game, like Monopoly, only this one is called Mitzva Monopol. The object is not to acquire real estate and build hotels, but to build synagogues on streets named Mishna Ave. and Rashi Rd. Players do not miss a turn by being sent to "jail." Instead they land on a corner called "Shabbat" and take a rest. The players can draw cards which read, for example: "They've named a synagogue after your uncle. Donate 2,500 shekels."

A full-page news item tells about the "best" movie buy in town, at the Al-Hambra on Sallah-a-Din St., in East Jerusalem. For only 5 shekels the spectator can sit through continuous performance of five full length films, lasting some 10 hours. Most of them feature violence, lady wrestlers, karate, etc. Comments the reviewer: "Much of the audience looks like it could easily be up on the screen."

And so, when we become discouraged by some of the major news headlines from Jerusalem about the sessions of the Knesset, the declarations of cabinet members and the other assorted items which the foreign press puts into headlines, we turn for relief to the weekly In Jerusalem and find pleasure in a quite different side of the city.

Opinion

Moslem extremists are a growing danger to Israel

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

The revolt that has convulsed the territories occupied by Israel has inspired something of a myth that the Palestinians are united. And while the Palestinians do present something of a common front through their Unified National Leadership of the Uprising, the fact of the matter is that their unity has already been torn asunder.

Islamic fundamentalists, spearheaded by the Islamic Resistance Movement (Hamas), has caused the split in Palestinian ranks.

Part of the broader Moslem Brotherhood movement founded in Egypt in the late 1920s and introduced into Palestine in 1946, Hamas has emerged as a force to be reckoned with in the Gaza Strip. Its influence on the West Bank is still problematical.

Hamas, whose position toward Israel is far more militant than the mainstream PLO under the leadership of Yasser Arafat, is led by Ahmed Yassin, a crippled 53-year-old preacher who was sentenced to 13 years in prison in 1984 on charges of membership in an illegal Islamic organization and weapons possession. In the following year, he was released in a prisoner exchange between Israel and the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine: General Command.

Since 1985, Yassin has lived in Gaza, ostensibly devoting himself to preaching. And although two of his closest associates, Fatah Shekaki and Abdel Aziz Odeh, have been expelled to Lebanon by the Israeli authorities, the Israelis have left Yassin alone.

The consensus among Palestinians is that Yassin and his followers are more or less tolerated by the Israelis because they regard the Islamic fundamentalists as a disruptive phenomenon within the Palestinian community in general and the *intifada* in particular.

Whether true or not, the fact remains that Hamas has challenged the hegemony of the PLO in the territories.

- Hamas has refused to join the United National Leadership of the Uprising, which is composed of Arafat's Fatah faction, George Habash's Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, Nayef Hawatmeh's Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine, the Communist Party and Islamic Holy War.
- In opposition to the United National Leadership of the Uprising, Hamas has called its own commercial strikes against Israel and issued its own leaflets.
- Bloody clashes have occurred between Hamas and PLO loyalists, with Hamas members having attacked the offices of the Red Crescent in Gaza, considered a PLO stronghold.
- In a communique issued after the Palestine National Council meeting in Algiers last November, Hamas lambasted the PLO for advocating a conciliatory policy vis-a-vis Israel, and vowed never to relinquish "even one speck of the dust of the homeland's (Palestine) earth."

Hamas, whose overriding goal is the creation of an Islamic state in Palestine, burst into prominence last August by issuing a manifesto demanding an uncompromising jihad (holy war) on Israel.

Rejecting Western values and modernism, Hamas is anti-Jewish, in addition to being anti-Israel.

Article 28 of its covenant states: "Israel, in its Jewishness and its Jews, is a provocation to Islam and Moslems."

Article 7 declares: "Allah's messenger (Mohammed the Prophet) spoke of a time when the Moslems would fight the Jews and kill them..."

Article 22 says: "The enemies... have used their wealth to gain control of the world media... They have used their wealth to instigate (world) revolution... and reap the spoils. They were behind the French Revolution and the Communist Revolution... They have used their wealth to set up clandestine organizations... to destroy society and serve the interests of Zionism..."

It adds: "They instigated World War I... obtained the (1917) Balfour Declaration... and set up the League of Nations in order to rule over the world... They caused World War II... and established the United Nations... to rule... the world... They pull the strings of any war that is waged anywhere in the world..."

Sheikh Khalil Koka, a Hamas activist in exile, told the Kuwaiti daily Al-Anba that the Arab-Israeli conflict is essentially a religious struggle — a contest between Moslems and Jews, the Koran and the Torah,

Citing the notorious czarist forgery, *Protocols of the Elders of Zion*, Hamas notes: "The Zionist plan knows no boundaries. After Palestine, they covet expansion from the Nile to the Euphrates. The *Protocols*... bear witness to this."

In its 40-page manifesto, Hamas thunders: "The land of Palestine is an Islamic trust left to the generations of Moslems until the day of resurrection. It is forbidden for anyone to yield or concede part or all of it."

In a rebuke to Palestinians willing to settle for a 2-state solution, Hamas rejects "so-called peaceful solutions and international conferences." And it warns: "The solution to the Palestinian problem will only take place by holy war. The (diplomatic) initiatives and international conferences only waste time."

Hamas is critical of Palestinians who call for a secular state in place of Israel, saying they have been misled by "the ideological confusion going on in the Arab world as a result of... the Crusades... the missionaries and colonialism."

It says that when the PLO "accepts Islam as a way of life, we will be its soldiers and the wood of its fire to burn the enemy."

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Hamas has emerged at a time when religiosity has made headway in the overcrowded, impoverished Gaza Strip.

According to Ziad Abu Amar, a Bir Zeit University scholar who has studied the Islamic movement, Hamas and Islamic Jihad, a smaller group, have grown as the number of mosques in the territories have increased.

Since the Six Day War, the number of mosques on the West Bank and the Gaza Strip has increased from 400 to 750 and 400 to 600, respectively.

Moslem fundamentalists have forged gains at local universities. In voting for student council seats in 1987, the Islamic bloc swept Gaza's Islamic University, Hebron University and the College of Preaching and Religion in East Jerusalem. At Bir Zeit University, a PLO stronghold, the fundamentalists got about a third of the students' vote.

In a bid to enforce religious values and practices in the Gaza Strip, they have burned down liquor stores, vandalized movie theatres, broken up weddings where modern music was played and threatened immodestly dressed women with violence.

In several instances, militants have attacked Israeli military vehicles.

On a more benign level, the fundamentalists have founded their own charitable organizations and youth clubs and distributed books and cassettes of famous Islamic preachers.

Hamas, in particular, views the *intifada* as a purely political act which ultimately will be crushed by the Israeli army unless the Palestinians embrace Islamic fundamentalism.

The PLO, of course, disagrees with that assessment and, therefore, Hamas' relationship with the PLO remains tense. The PLO has tried to appease and coopt Hamas and company, but these efforts have largely failed.

Meanwhile, Israel is gradually discovering that the fundamentalists, irreconciled to its very existence, may be a greater threat than the PLO.

A recent report in Maariv, quoting a senior military official, said: "In contrast to the Gaza Strip, the weight of the Islamic movement in Judea and Samaria is still not as great as that of the PLO. But recent events in the region are broadening and strengthening the religious bloc.

"The religious elements are liable to sweep away the entire population, as occurred in Iran. They are accumulating power and will represent a danger to Israel in the future.

"This escalation is becoming a grave security problem."

Islamic fundamentalism is making headway among the Palestinians in the territories. [IPPA photo]

Rikudiya, pretty as it was, just didn't look quite right

By
ELAINE KAHN

I try not to be a pushy mother, though I know that, were my kids not such voracious readers (an overworked cliche, except it does at time seem like the books disappear so quickly they actually must be eating them or absorbing them intravenously), I'd push there. But not much else is that important to me and I try not to influence them to live the various lives I didn't choose.

But I was awfully pleased that this year, the first year their school allowed it at their grade level, they came home saying they'd signed up for Israeli folkdancing sessions that would culminate in the rikudiya (a non-competitive dance festival open to all the Jewish schools in Toronto). Folkdancing was the only gym activity I ever enjoyed — actually, I loved it.

Driving home from the rikudiya, Rachel said the event really showed that, underneath it all, the Jews in the city, no matter what kind, were close to each other and could get along.

From her mouth to God's ballet slippers . . . as they say.

Or the pomegranate doesn't fall far from the tree. While watching the groups assemble for the opening dance, Rachel's parents were sitting in the bleachers, looking at the varied strands of Jewish education represented and wondering what would happen if they began a chant of "Who is a Jew? Me and you."

Although I intensely dislike the "Israel out of the ashes" trend of thought, it did come to mind then, and with Yom Hashoa and then Yom Ha'atzmaut approaching.

There was, watching all those dance teams, somewhat of the same feeling as at the opening ceremonies for Maccabiah in Israel — all kinds of Jews from all over who, if our enemies in history had ever been successful, would not be there at all. From the outside looking in, the Jewish world can seem such a cozy picture — one big happy family dancing around the camp fire.

That's part of the romantic image that makes Israeli folkdancing grab us right in the gut — a deeply ingrained picture of, and pride in, tanned young Israeli pioneers dancing in khaki, wearing those little sabra hats (which must have a proper name, but I don't know it). A romantic emotion-laden picture that even allows all of us to do Israeli dancing at Diaspora simchas, in fancy dress in fancy halls, without killing ourselves laughing at ourselves.

Of course, that image of dancing pioneers includes both males and females in fairly equal numbers — and that was the irony of the rikudiya. It didn't look quite right, as pretty as it was, because, though it's the thought that counts and the thought was Israeli, the underlying sensibility was North American: boys, for the most part, simply do not do this kind of thing.

The only boy on our kids' team was born in Israel.

So I want to extend a very special yasher koach to the boys who did buck the tide and participate. It added both to my pleasure in watching and to the authenticity.

And try talking it up to the other guys for next year. Tell them it makes the desert bloom.

Answers for "hard questions"

By
PROF. MEL HIMES

The answers to Milton Harris's "Hard questions for Canadian Jews" (CJN April 19) lies in one of his sources, Barbara Tuchman. Writing about the link between anti-semitism and Israel she noted a ". . . historical principle which it is rather frightening to realize does not lie in the personal experience of anyone under 40 and may need re-explaining . . . the futility of appeasement.

"The rule of human behavior here is that yielding to an enemy's demands does not satisfy them, but by exhibiting a position of weakness, augments them. It does not terminate hostility, but excites it. Since Israel hardly needs to be reminded that the sequence Rhineland-Austria-Spain-Czechoslovakia-Poland would be paralleled by Golan-Jerusalem-West Bank with the same result, it cannot be realistically expected to initiate the process. Given the experience of regained sovereignty and statehood after 2,000 years of being the other people's victims, suicide is not now likely to be the Jewish choice."

Therefore, hard questions need to be asked of those who share Mr. Harris's views. Adolf Hitler unlike Yasser Arafat was democratically elected and the vast majority of Germans adhered to his views of National Socialism. Do they recognize that there are some leaders and movements with whom dialogue is futile? Or are they in agreement that the Canadian policy of appeasement in the 30s towards the Nazi regime was right, given that Canada would have lost influence with the other civilized Western states that had formulated it to achieve peace?

Thus, the ultimate question is why some of "our representatives" persist in their March of Folly by joining the lynch mob bandwagon at the United Nations, that on the 100th anniversary of the birth of Adolf Hitler, almost unanimously condemned Israel for defending itself against the adherents of an organization whose covenant, like that of Mein Kampf, explicitly calls for the destruction of the nations containing the remnants of the Holocaust that an earlier generation of Jewish leadership had abandoned, using the same specious rationalizations.

Opinion

Worthy rabbis, stop offending our women

By
J. B. SALSBERG

Well, my dearly beloved readers, we have completed the typical spring cycle of Jewish national observances. In less than one month we observed Passover, our liberation from Egyptian slavery: Yom Hashoa, Holocaust Remembrance Day, Yom Ha'atzmaut, the rebirth of Jewish statehood, independence, in Israel. Quite a span of time to have covered and quite a collection of diverse memories to have rekindled. They constitute the vital fibres of our national continuity.

J. B. Salsberg

That's all good and well; but the time has come to approach, to examine and to react to Jewish affairs of a more current nature. And, as my wise mother, Sooreh Gitle, used to say with a suppressed smile, when I began stirring things a bit; "Siz shoin lang shtil geven us du fangst shoin vider oon, zooneleh?" (Things were quiet for a while and you are beginning to stir them up again?) Well, yes; stirring things up is often a mitzvah.

But, before I began to perform that mitzvah I wish to make it crystal clear that I have never engaged in carping criticism of the Orthodox sector of Jewry. How could I? After all, that's where my roots were nourished and, my father's undeviating observance of that lifestyle created a lifelong respect for that Jewish norm of life, even as I questioned aspects of that pattern. But extremism and intolerance, in whatever sector of Jewish life, should not be immune to criticism.

Now we can proceed with my latest irritation.

Der Algemeiner Journal is a well edited and widely-circulated Yiddish-Orthodox weekly newspaper in New York that also supports the Lubavitch branch of chassidism. Its April 19, 1989, issue carries a front page news item bearing the headline: "Agudat Harabonim association of Orthodox rabbis appeals to Jews not to desecrate the honor of the martyrs."

The "appeal" refers to the Holocaust memorials that North American Jewish communities (as elsewhere in the world) arrange on Yom Hashoa. To be fair, the Agudat Harabonim does not object to those formalized observances but they cry out against the prominent role that our womenfolk play in those heart-rending programs.

But that specific holier-than-thou Orthodox rabbinic association insists on becoming very specific and they say, in their published statement: "But who needs, in such a tragic moment, that a female singer should sing lyric songs? The martyrs, the real martyrs, will plug their ears when they will hear a woman beginning to sing (because) the voice of a woman is (equal to) nakedness."

After reading those lines I feit like crying out against those self-righteous characters who defame the age-old Jewish tradition with reference to women and to warn them of what lies in store for them when, in the fullness of time, our Matriarchs, Sarah, Rebecca, Rachel and Leah will lay their hands on them! Yes, and when Deborah, the prophetess, will manhandle the likes of the American Agudat Harabonim spokesmen when they will make their appearance in the world to come!

Yes, and I'm certain that when our revered Matriarchs will begin punishing this group of slandering rabbis the first word they will utter will be: Mameh!

But, joking aside, it is not permissible for rabbis, of any stream of Judaism, to speak of women the way this group of the far-out sector of Orthodoxy have done, and in print! Why, our own highly esteemed and scholarly Rabbi Nachmen Shemen, the head of the Kashrut division of Canadian Jewish Congress, has published a very learned volume devoted to the popularization of the opinions and laws of our ancient sages on the exalted place that Jewish women were given by our religious as well as secular Jewish leadership.

I suppose that it is especially galling for a Canadian Jew to read the slanderous tripe that the present spokesmen of that particular section of American Orthodoxy has written.

In our country, Jewish women are, thank heaven, in the very forefront of Jewish leadership. The current national president of the Canadian Jewish Congress and the present vice-president of that senior Jewish body, are women. If it weren't for Canadian Hadassah, organized Zionism in Canada would be as dead as a doornail. Our women lead, of course, Canadian Women's Ort and scores of other stimulating Jewish communal bodies.

I'm sure that if my activist and very Orthodox mother, of blessed memory, had been with us now she would have led a mass protest movement against the Agudat Harabonim of New York, for their slander of Jewish womanhood.

Well, enough of this anger of mine. But, I confess, that I find it hard to let such expressions of male chauvinism to, as they say, get away with it. . . .

My last word to the active women of every branch and sector of Jewish life is: don't be overawed by the self-righteous elders of the Agudat Harabonim of New York! March against those detractors of Jewish womanhood under the proud banners of our Matriarchs, of the ancient and present-day Deborahs and, yes, under the banners of our own grandmothers, mothers and sisters!

Hurrah, for our women!

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters are welcome if they are in English or French, no more than 175 words, typewritten with lines double spaced, and of interest to our readers. We reserve the right to edit and revise letters for the sake of clarity and length. Every letter must bear the sender's address, phone number and both handwritten and typed signature.

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CANADA'S SHAMEFUL UN RECORD

On April 20, the UN General Assembly, bowing to Arabs' oil and petro dollars, shamelessly passed a resolution condemning Israel for her amply justified action against Arabs' uprising.

Canada voted in chorus with other anti-Israel countries, bereft of all sense of decency, and oblivious to Syrians' savage suppression of Lebanese Christians' intifada, resulting in countless human casualties.

Canada's decision to vote for this resolution was undoubtedly prompted by the desire to repay her debt to the Arabs for their help in Canada's election to the Security Council of the UN.

It is noteworthy that the anti-Lebanese Syrian continuous action has provoked no condemnations from UN members, and Joe Clark, our minister for external affairs, didn't judge Syrians' action unacceptable.

I. Josy
Toronto

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"HADASSAH LADIES" AREN'T SILENT

I am responding to the April 9 letter from J. Rogers headed "Clark a tool."

He claimed incorrectly that the "Hadassah ladies" have remained conspicuously silent about External Affairs Minister Joe Clark's recognition of the PLO.

Our members across the country were just as shocked as Rogers at the decision of the Canadian government to upgrade its relationship with the PLO.

Many hundreds of letters, telegrams and phone calls went from our members, nationwide, to the Prime Minister, to Clark, and to individual MPs of all parties, in protest against this shocking decision.

Naomi Frankenburg
National President
Hadassah-WIZO
Vancouver

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SLAMS OUR COMMERCIALIZED NEWS

I must protest the continuing misuse of Miriam Herman's "What's New" to advertise commercial enterprises.

The latest examples of this breach of her mandate can be found in your April 19 issue. Under the heading, "Organizations and People," is a large photo spread of so-called "achievement awards" presented by the president of a business "to his top sales staff at a luncheon [held, presumably, by him for this purpose] at Toronto's Primrose Club."

Compare this to the photos on the next page, where various charitable and community events are portrayed.

Compare it to the similarly-sized Astro ad on the previous page. Did you charge a similar amount for both?

Other examples abound, such as over 2 column inches each on a bookstore in Yorkdale, a real estate agent's sales award, and the promotion of a rabbi-author's books.

Such pseudo-"events" should be relegated to paid sections of the paper, as do other newspapers.

To do as you do cheapens the presentation of our real community events and presumes on the intelligence of your readers.

Bernard Katz
Toronto

Editor's note: We believe that any Jewish achievement in the community is worth chronicling, even if it's commercial.

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PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS NOT RACIST

Re the April 19 letter from Errol Young, Ward 5 trustee on the North York Board of Education:

"By separating Jewish children from the rest of society," he contends, "we promote racism inside and outside our community. When children work, learn, eat and play together, it is harder for them to hate."

He forgets that it was in Germany, where Jews were almost completely assimilated, that antisemitism reached its ultimate expression.

Jews who have learned about their heritage and religion in parochial schools have confidence and pride in themselves.

This leads them to have comfortable interactions with the Gentile community in adult life.

Dr. Joseph I. Wohlgelernter
Toronto

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LAUDS SENIORS EDITORIAL

Your excellent March 16 editorial, titled "Protecting the elderly," was brought to the notice of our last general meeting of the Association of Jewish Seniors. It was very well received by our delegates.

You may be interested to know that copies have been distributed among our leading members for them to use as speakers' notes and during discussions on this subject.

Further, through our representation to the steering committee of the Ontario Coalition of Senior Citizens' Organizations (a 300,000-strong seniors' movement of more than 27 diverse organizations in Ontario) copies of the editorial were passed on to leading members of other seniors' groups.

May I take this opportunity to thank your reporter, Jeff Rosen for a well-written and thoughtful front-page article (dated March 23) on Jean Woodsworth, president of "One Voice" and a leading member of the above noted coalition (OCSCO).

Copies of this article were also passed around. Both the Association of Jewish Seniors and the OCSCO are affiliated with One Voice which is a Canadian seniors' network covering the 10 provinces and territories.

Stan Sugarbroad
Toronto

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Soprano Donna Brown as Pamina in the 1989 production of Mozart's The Magic Flute.

CURIOUS ABOUT OPERA BEAUTY

My curiosity was aroused when your opera critic, Frank Rasky, in his recent review of Mozart's *Magic Flute*, raved about soprano Donna Brown being a real beauty in the role of the fairy princess.

In light of Mr. Rasky's previous reviews poking fun at "overly zoftig" opera divas, I was disappointed when you neglected to publish a photo of this peerless beauty.

Would you please satisfy my curiosity and run a picture of "dazzling Donna."

Rebecca Weinstien
Toronto.

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ESTEVAN'S FEW "BAD APPLES"

As a former resident of Estevan, Sask., I read with great interest Paul Lungen's April 19 article, " 'Hitman from Estevan' looks back at youth," portraying Barney Krivel.

The Krivels were an outstanding family, and very popular both locally and provincially.

They were proud of their Jewish heritage, and made it a point of disciplining the few "bad apples" in the community.

These few bad apples, lacking the basics of tolerance and understanding of various religions, were subjected to a lesson they readily understood. And that was through the fists of the Krivel boys, which they utilized so thoroughly.

They were not only incensed with insults to themselves, but also to any Jewish members of the community; as a result, anti-semitism was contained to a minimal degree.

We were fortunate to have these boys in our town, who in a sense protected our status and our dignity in the community. We enjoyed living in Estevan, a beautiful town, lovely people, except for the few "bad apples."

Henry Mandel
Toronto

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REFUSENIKS STILL AWAIT VISAS

Goldie Hershon, regional chairman, Quebec Region of Canadian Jewish Congress, says that Soviet Jewry activists "need to find other direction for their work."

At Holy Blossom Temple, our adopted family, Judith, Emanuel and Bella Lurie of Moscow, have been refused visas for 10 years. They are not alone in their refusal. There are *too* many Refuseniks and poor relatives still waiting.

They tell us repeatedly that the action from the West is their only hope.

We must remember what Judith told us in her last phone call: Glasnost is a Russian export to the West.

Mrs. Hershon, remember, our silence is their prison.

Shirley Hanick, Marsha Slivka
Toronto

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CLAIMS HE WAS MISQUOTED

Re Marlo Fieldstone's April 19 article headed "South Africans add vitality to community":

I wish to disclaim Ms. Fieldstone's statement attributed to me: "There is no future in South Africa and no great future for Jews."

I believe that in time, with goodwill and evolution, there is a good future for South Africa, and the Jews, like many other ethnic groups, will continue to make positive contributions to social and economic advancement in the country.

Dr. Wilfred Levin
Thornhill, Ont.

Editor's note: Ms. Fieldstone maintains that the quote was accurate. However, on checking her notes, she says that the statement may have been made out of context. We regret if this has caused any inconvenience.

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BRAVO FOR ALIYA STORY

Bravo to The CJN for its coverage of aliya in your March 23 magazine issue.

Some time ago, the topic of aliya — which is synonymous with Zionism and a mitzvah as stipulated in the Torah — was virtually dropped from the Jewish agenda as a priority for Diaspora Jewry (excluding those Jews in pursuit of a safe haven against anti-semitism), and replaced with efforts of an economic nature.

Certainly, it is naive to minimize the importance of fund raising on behalf of Israel. Yet it is as equally unrealistic to wish away the necessity of a physical commitment to Israel.

Avrom Rosensweig
Chairman Telem Toronto
"Movement for Zionist Fulfillment"

World-National

Offence in USSR to discredit Kremlin

New decree human rights violation: Intrator

By
BELINDA SILBERMAN

A roundup of Soviet Jewry news...

A new Soviet decree threatening citizens with hefty fines or imprisonment for publicly insulting or discrediting the Soviet government is in violation of human rights agreements, says the chairman of the Canadian Inter-Religious Task Force on Human Rights.

Genya Intrator called the decree one of the most repressive since the Stalin era and a major step backwards for the USSR.

"In a time of glasnost and perestroika it's rather amazing that such a decree should come out," said Intrator, a Toronto-based Soviet Jewry activist.

The Inter-Religious Task Force is an organization coordinating groups involved in Soviet human rights.

The decree — recently signed by Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev and scheduled to be declared law when the Supreme Soviet meets this spring — states that punishments of imprisonment for up to three years or fines of up to 2,000 roubles (almost 2 years' average wages) will be levied at those who publicly insult or discredit USSR supreme bodies of state power and government.

The decree also applies to those who discredit other state bodies formed by the USSR Congress of People's Deputies or the USSR Supreme Soviet, or public organizations operating in conformity with the Soviet constitution, or appointed or elected officials.

Intrator said the decree is contrary to recent Soviet promises of legal reforms — in particular the review of Soviet Criminal Code articles traditionally used to incarcerate human rights activists.

The revised laws were supposed to conform with democratic principles and international law, she said.

It was based on these promises as well as observed improvements of human rights and basic freedoms in the USSR that the Final Helsinki Review Document was signed in Vienna in January, she said. Signatory representatives also agreed to a Soviet proposal to hold a human rights conference in Moscow in 1991.

Bert Raphael

Genya Intrator

As a result, the Inter-Religious Task Force is calling on all signatories of the Helsinki Final Act and Vienna Final Document to view the decree — contained in an article covering anti-state agitation law — as a violation of these agreements.

"We call upon the governments of the signatory states to hold off attendance at the conference in Moscow in 1991 until the article is either removed from the Soviet Criminal Code or amended to conform with international standards of justice and human rights," Intrator said in a news release.

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Soviet Jews celebrated the recent Passover holiday with new Russian and Hebrew haggadahs. They were published by Moscow's Choral Synagogue with the help of the New York-based Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture.

Ten thousand copies of the haggadah — the first to be printed in the Soviet Union since the Russian Revolution — were distributed to Choral Synagogue members as well as to worshippers at synagogues throughout the Soviet Union, says a Memorial Foundation news release.

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About 25 people, each representing a different Refusenik; recently participated in a third freedom seder for Soviet Jewry, reports Ben Prossin, director of Canada Jewish Congress' Ontario Region Soviet Jewry committee.

The event — sponsored by the CJC committee — was held in a board room at the Holy Blossom Temple.

Participants, who read from a specially-prepared haggadahs, also agreed to seek signatures from congregants at their respective shuls for letters urging Soviet ambassador Alexei Rodionov to take action on a list of 28 Refuseniks, Prossin said. About 250 letters will likely be sent.

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Toronto lawyer Bert Raphael will be leading a delegation of two others to Moscow in May to attend a 3-day symposium on human rights.

Raphael, chairman of Canadian Lawyers and Jurists for Soviet Jewry, will deliver a paper on Soviet Jews' plight at the conference to begin May 17. He also hopes to meet with Refuseniks.

Also attending from Raphael's group will be lawyers Richard Orzi and Raphael's younger brother Stan.

Toronto lawyer Irwin Fefergrad, president of Beth Tikvah Synagogue, also plans to go.

The symposium is being sponsored by the International Foundation for the Survival and Development of Humanity.

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Relatives promoting the plight of Moscow Refuseniks Judith and Emanuel Lurie have cancelled a trip to Canada because of "timing problems," says Jacques Lurie, Soviet Jewry chairman of B'nai B'rith International.

The Luries' daughter Anna and son-in-law David Schwartzman were originally scheduled to visit Toronto for four days in mid-May as part of a 5-week trip to North America.

"It's really been difficult because they've been away from their child for so long," Lurie said in a telephone interview from Pennsylvania.

The couple's son, Daniel, has been staying with relatives in Israel.

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Moscow Refusenik Igor Uspensky and his wife, Inna Ioffe, recently became grandparents with the birth of granddaughter Netta Leah, Intrator reports.

The couple's daughter-in-law, Alla Mendeleyevna, 17, recently immigrated to Israel after marrying their son, Slava, who remains in the Soviet Union.

The family has sent Israeli confirmation of the marriage's legality to Moscow OVIR, Igor told Intrator in a telephone call sponsored by Brenda Dales, a member of Beth Tzedec Congregation.

Igor has also met with Admir Luzinovich, deputy director of the All-Union OVIR, who promised to take into account the family's new circumstances.

NCJW ready to mark 90 years at convention

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON — About 100 women from across Canada will gather here when National Council of Jewish Women holds its 25th biennial convention at the Hamilton Sheraton Centre May 28 to June 1.

Although NCJW is actually 90 years old, this is only the organization's 25th convention. The silver anniversary will be celebrated with a dinner and installation on Wednesday, May 31.

The convention will be hosted by Hamilton Section, NCJW, a small but vibrant group of 65 members — 15 of whom joined during the past year — who caught the attention of the national executive at the 1987 Vancouver convention.

Revived in 1980 after the once over 200-member group folded in the early 1970s, Hamilton section impressed the national executive not only with their Kids on the Block project — a puppet show teaching young children about mental and physical handicaps, but also with their fund raising abilities. In fact, the group has been nominated for the national recognition award for fund raising for sponsorship of two theatre nights.

The convention will focus on women's health and wellness issues and highlights will be the two days devoted to these topics.

On Tuesday morning, May 30, panelists in a discussion on home care will be Lois Walton, director of the Hamilton-Wentworth Home Care Association, and Dr. Elizabeth Latimer, director of the palliative care team, Henderson General Hospital.

Health education

The luncheon speaker will be Ruth Cambi, executive director of the Israel Family Counselling Association in Tel Aviv, and in the afternoon there will be a presentation on health education.

Wednesday's programs will deal with women's issues. Speakers in the morning program on Violence Against Women will be Dr. Pat Kincade, family violence coordinator for the provincial ministry of education, and Gwen Davidson, executive director, Internal House, Hamilton.

Toronto lawyer Mary Cornish will discuss The Wage Gap and Leslie Russell, Ontario representative to the steering committee on Canada's Daycare Advocacy Association, will speak on Child Care, while Nancy Lawley, a member of the staff of the mayor of Toronto, will speak on housing. Keynote speaker will be Marilou McPhedran.

Sunday and Monday programs will be devoted to Council business and topics such as finance and fund raising, with a talk on Volunteerism by U.S. NCJW vice-president, Susan Kates, as a special feature.

Other convention highlights include a trip to Niagara Falls on Tuesday evening and entertainment by Dr. Gerry Gray of The Travellers at the dinner.

Hamilton Section co-presidents are Susan Schiff and Evelyn Silver and convention chairmen are past-president Michele Finkelstein, Betsy Sauder and Rae Rosenberg. Publicity chairman is Meg Moskovitz.

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The Jewish Quiz

QUESTIONS:

1. Who were the Hovevei Zion ("lovers of Zion")?
2. What Russian city served as the chief centre of the Hibbat Zion movement?
3. Where was the first conference of the Hibbat Zion movement held?

Edmond Y. Lipsitz

ANSWERS:

1. Central and East European intellectual and nationalist movement that had an influence in the creation of a Jewish state.
2. Odessa.
3. In Kattowitz (Nov. 11-16, 1884), the opening session led by Leo Pinsker.

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Lilia Rabinovitch, in-laws reunited with Alla Wolfson

Tears of joy greet Refusenik's safe arrival

By DAVID LAZARUS

MONTREAL —

Clutching a handful of red and yellow tulips, Alla Wolfson wept openly in front of supporters and friends while waiting to catch first sight of her Leningrad Refusenik sister Lilia Rabinovitch and in-laws as they ended their 11-year fight for freedom on Canadian soil.

"Oh there she is! Oh my God!" cried a much-relieved Wolfson, watching from Mirabel Airport's upper observation deck, when she finally spotted her relatives.

As her sister, brother-in-law Alex Rabinovitch, 48, his parents Gavriil, 85 and Galina, 81, nephew Boris, 16, and niece Inna, 5, channelled their way through passport control, Inna waved a small Canadian flag.

The family eventually spotted and waved to Wolfson, who was gesturing frantically from above to get their attention.

Wolfson flew in from Winnipeg to greet her relatives and was accompanied by Brenda Barrie, director of community relations at the Winnipeg Jewish Community Council, the arm of Canadian Jewish Congress in the Manitoba region.

Wolfson, 34, kept her face almost pressed up against the glass and she was surrounded by a crush of reporters.

She was overcome with emotion again when the family finally emerged an interminable hour later after clearing immigration red tape.

Shouts of "sholem aleichem" mingled with whirring cameras, flashbulbs, hugs and more tears as Wolfson's sister emerged first.

She was followed by Alex, the children and Alex's parents, looking frail and somewhat startled by all the attention.

"Aleichem sholem," replied the old man, bearded and wearing a yarmulke.

One of his first comments was to complain that his Hebrew-Russian siddur was confiscated in Moscow before departure.

The arrival of Aeroflot flight 301 and the emotional reunion climaxed a long and sometimes bitter struggle by Wolfson to enlist the release of the family.

Supporting her in her fight were the department of external affairs, CJC and B'nai B'rith Canada.

The Rabinovitches had been denied exit visas 14 times because of Alex's former job as an engineer at a radio equipment institute, where Soviet authorities claimed he had access to state secrets.

But Alex credited "massive pressure" by Canada as the main reason for the family's freedom.

To widespread media attention, Wolfson joined her relatives in week-long hunger strike in January, and External Affairs Minister Joe Clark singled out the case in talks with Soviet Foreign Minister Edouard Shevarnadze the same month in Vienna.

Senator Nathan Nurgitz of Winnipeg, who was at the airport to greet the Rabinovitches, also brought up the case on Clark's behalf in February while attending the opening of the Jewish cultural centre in Moscow.

Alex, whose English was good, spoke for the others and said the family felt happy but tired after the wearying 24-hour trip, which included an 11-hour train ride from Leningrad to Moscow.

Wolfson earlier told The CJN that the last time she spoke with her relatives was two days before their departure. "Their bags were already packed and Inna was sitting with a Canadian flag in her hand," she related.

Rabinovitch said the family's departure was almost delayed a day by Moscow customs but Canadian Ambassador Vernon Turner and Consul G.J. Durocher intervened.

Alex called the family's reunification and new liberty the "happiest day" in their lives and repeatedly expressed gratitude for efforts on their behalf.

He did not yet know where he would work or where the family would eventually settle, but promised to join Canadians in campaigning for the release of remaining Refuseniks.

"Now I can do more than a Jew can do in Russia," he said. The situation has improved for Jews but on the other hand anti-semitism is growing, Rabinovitch said.

Wolfson said she felt "absolutely numb" before seeing her relatives but feelings returned when she saw them.

"Now we're just very grateful, so grateful," she said.

Nurgitz also welcomed the Rabinovitches on behalf of Clark and expressed hopes that their arrival would herald a positive oucome for remaining Refuseniks. "The situation is better in terms of numbers, but not for the persons still there," he said.

The family was hosted briefly at the home of Bernie and Marcia Shuster and flew on that evening to Toronto to see Wolfson's parents and then to Winnipeg, where a reception was held by the Shaarei Zedek Synagogue.

CJC's national Soviet Jewry committee expressed "great joy" at the Rabinovitches' arrival, terming it a "positive step."

But national chairman Barbara Stern added that "Now more than ever before pressure must continue to be exerted until all those wishing to leave are permitted to do so."

Among those on hand to greet the Rabinovitches were CJC Quebec Region Soviet Jewry committee chairman Pearl Grubert, member Barbara Weisenfeld, and national Soviet Jewry director Carole Moscovitch.

The Rabinovitch family (son Boris is not seen) revels in their new found freedom with Alla Wolfson (left). Niece Inna displays Canadian colors flanked by her parents Alexander and Lilia (Wolfson's sister). [Howard Kay photo]

School contract worth $400,000

CALGARY —

The Calgary Jewish Academy and the Calgary Separate School Board recently signed a 5-year contract that allows the CJA to receive government funds through that board, Calgary's Jewish Star reported.

The arrangement means an extra $400,000 a year will be available to the Jewish school.

The contract is "essentially an extension of the last agreement," said Bruce Libin, one of those representing CJA in talks with the Catholic board. Since 1984, when the arrangement began, the contracts ran for one or two years. The new 5-year term gives the school a "significant time frame" in which to plan, he said.

Libin also noted that the contract contains provisions for discussions about extending the arrangement in the future.

The arrangement allows the Jewish school to received about $1,500 per student per year, the Jewish Star reports. Calgary's other Jewish day school, Akiva Academy, is considered a private school and it receives government funding at approximately 40% of that received by CJA, according to the Star story.

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QUESTION: I have been divorced civilly for over 10 years. Our properties have long since been divided, custody and access arranged, and financial support determined by a separation agreement and a divorce decree. My ex-husband is remarried and I have been engaged for 7 months.

However, he refuses to consent to a Jewish divorce (a "get"). Without this consent I cannot remarry within the Jewish faith. Any children outside the marriage are considered illegitimate and can only marry other "mamzerim" or converts to Judaism. My children's children would have the same disability and their grandchildren's children for all subsequent generations unless this man consents to my Jewish divorce.

The cost is nominal (I will pay it) and takes only two hours of his time, yet he is demanding $100,000 and I simply do not have the money. I have been to several rabbis, feminists, mutual friends and his family, and he remains as obstinate as ever. Can you help me?

ANSWER: No. At least, not yet. You are among hundreds of victimized women and many victimized men across Canada. B'nai B'rith Canada has documented at least 350 cases of this type across Canada in its 1987 study titled: "The Use of Get as a Bargaining tool in Jewish Divorce Proceedings," March 1987 (if you wish copies contact B'nai B'rith Canada at (416) 633-6224). Women like you are called "agunah" and since biblical times have been incapable of remarriage often without giving up your normal civil rights, money, and sometimes sole custody of your children!

If you live in Ontario and you have not as yet settled your property and financial support matters by a written agreement or by court order and you are not as yet civilly divorced, the Ontario courts have the power to force your spouse to remove barriers to your religious remarriage or face serious financial consequences. The courts can oblige such spouses by denying them the ability to defend or prosecute claims under this Act for property distribution and financial support.

For instance, if a spouse claims $1,000,000 per month in support from her husband who has few assets and earns only $40,000 yearly, she could conceivably obtain a court order for what she claimed, notwithstanding the man's modest income, if her recalcitrant spouse refused to give his wife a get. This law has been successfully applied in many cases since its enactment in March 1986. According to Rabbi M. Ochs of the Toronto Rabbinical Court the incidence of extortion and get abuse has dropped dramatically in Ontario as a direct result.

The whole get procedure takes no more than a few hours and its cost is nominal. Ontario and its courts realize that the small inconvenience to the victimizing spouse is greatly outweighed by the harm he does to his victim, particularly when extortion is involved. Ontario courts have therefore not been reluctant to use this law when warranted and its very threat has mitigated the problem.

Contrary to the popular belief most women who seek a get are not Orthodox. Divorce within the Orthodox community is low, although abuse certainly exists within that group. Rather, the overwhelming majority of these cases come from non-Orthodox Jewish women to whom the question of religious identity becomes focused and critical upon such dramatic events as divorce or death.

When the Ontario law was passed every major and minor Jewish women's group in Ontario, including B'nai B'rith Women and the Jewish Women's Federation, representing among others the sisterhoods of every synagogue and congregation, strongly endorsed its enactment.

The law had been originally sponsored by the Vaad HaRabbonim of Toronto (Orthodox) and B'nai B'rith Canada. The endorsement of the Canadian Jewish Congress, Jewish Family & Child Service and Toronto Jewish Congress followed its initial sponsorship.

Indeed, with few voices of opposition, the entire organized Jewish community has been very supportive of this remedial legislation, including the Toronto Board of Rabbis (mostly Conservative and Reform).

Israel scorns Arafat: "he's liar"

By CJN NEWS SERVICES

JERUSALEM —

Official Jerusalem reacted with public disdain and skepticism to Yasser Arafat's statement last week in Paris rejecting the Palestine Covenant, but senior officials admitted privately they were surprised by its explicitness.

Avi Pazner, the Prime Minister's media advisor, said the PLO chairman was "continuing with his same old lies." Arafat, Pazner claimed, is "characteristically" lying when he claims that he was elected on a platform of a 2-state solution: "Arafat was elected on the basis of the covenant — and nothing else."

"There is no reason to take Arafat seriously," Pazner said. "Talk is very cheap for him. He feels the need to repay (French) President (Francois) Mitterrand for the meeting. In a week, he will find some explanation of why the covenant, has not, in fact, lapsed, just like he has 'explained' that incursions from Lebanon and the intifada are not terror."

Foreign Minister Moshe Arens's spokesman, Danny Naveh, reacted similarly, saying that Arafat's statement is "part of his web of lies."

Naveh said that for months, Arafat has been claiming that the covenant, or parts of it, do not exist, and that the Algiers Palestine National Council decisions have superceded it. "In practice, however, Arafat has done nothing to change or cancel even one letter in the covenant."

Privately, however, foreign ministry officials conceded that in Paris, Arafat had "probably scored another public relations coup." They expressed concern that his statement on the covenant might undermine what they term "a new and gradually growing disenchantment with the PLO."

Senior government analysts admit that Arafat's forthright statement had not been expected. They said there had been indications he would express reservations about the covenant, but not that he would declare it "caduque," a French word that is now certain to be the subject of a linguistic-legal debate.

Pazner, for example, cited the word as it is used in French commercial law, in which it means "lapsed" and is used in reference to contracts which no longer have legal validity. In the French law of inheritance, however, the word is more unequivocal, meaning "null and void."

During his meeting with the PLO chairman, Mitterrand asked Arafat some blunt questions and told him to bring the PLO's 1964 charter into line with his professed desire for peace with Israel.

The charter calls for the destruction of Israel by armed struggle.

The French president and the PLO chairman met for 90 minutes at the Elysee Palace shortly after Arafat arrived for a 2-day visit, at the invitation of the government.

Responding to Arafat's claim that the covenant is null and void, the U.S. state department and the American Jewish leadership called on the PNC to prove it by removing the clause from the document.

In New York, meanwhile, the chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations criticized Arafat's statement as "meaningless."

Seymour Reich said the covenant remains in force and can only be repealed by a vote of the PNC. He met last week with France's consul general in New York to express the Conference's "bitter disappointment" with the meeting between Mitterrand and Arafat.

The meeting with Mitterrand was Arafat's first with the chief of state of a major Western nation. Thousands of French Jews took part in angry protests against it.

An official statement, read by palace spokesman Hubert Vedrine, said the president asked Arafat "to clear up" the contradiction between the language of the chapter and his own proclamation in Geneva last December recognizing Israel's right to exist.

Mitterrand reportedly told the cabinet later that Arafat's declaration that the PLO covenant is "null and void" is "the start of clarification of this issue."

Pierre Mauroy, leader of the governing Socialist Party, met Arafat and said he, too, brought up the charter.

He said the PLO chief responded: "This text has existed for many years and is now outdated. The leadership of the PLO was elected with a program that includes recognition of Israel and the abandonment of terrorism."

Mitterrand also probed PLO intentions in significant detail.

According to a spokesman, he wanted to know from Arafat how the PLO interprets the Palestinians' "right of return," what territorial boundaries the PLO envisages for a Palestinian state and what compensation it would demand for Arab property inside Israel.

Arafat has rarely if ever been pinned down on such items, especially by a leading world statesman.

The French president, who opened the door to international recognition and legitimacy for the PLO, is apparently asking Arafat to return the favor by making additional concessions and going beyond what he said in Geneva last year.

But Mitterrand was clearly been taken aback by the strong Jewish reaction against his invitation to Arafat.

As Arafat's plane was landing, Jewish shopkeepers on the Rue du Sentier, in Paris' garment district, sounded their fire and burglar alarms to "voice our anger."

Ten thousand Jews participated in a demonstration, called by CRIF outside the Rue Copernic Synagogue, where four people were killed and six wounded in a terrorist attack in October 1980.

Three vigils were held at the sites of other terrorist attacks on Jews in recent years.

They were attended by militants, some from the Betar Zionist Youth Movement, who assailed the French President, much to the embarrassment of the organized community.

Thousands of French Arabs, mainly Algerians, attended a counterdemonstration in support of Arafat's visit. They called on Israel to open a direct dialogue with the PLO.

Several Jewish organizations, associated with the left-wing Mapam Party or with the Peace Now movement, also support Arafat's visit.

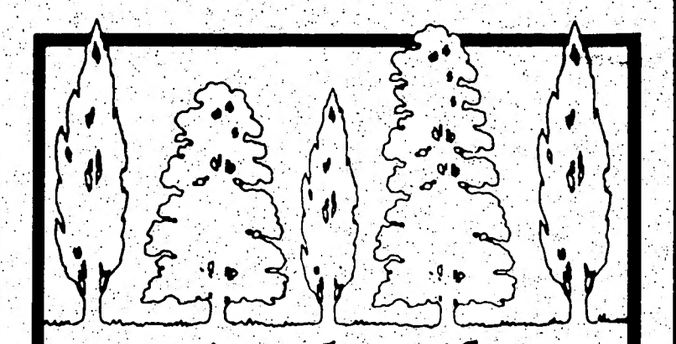
In other developments, Italy's Chamber of Deputies overwhelmingly approved a motion last week raising the status of the Palestine Liberation Organization's representation in Rome from "information office" to "general delegation of Palestine."

The legislative body also passed a resolution proposing that both Irael and the Palestinians be admitted into the European Community.

In Israel, Labor Party doves welcomed Arafat's statement, saying it may now be time to call for talks with the PLO. Labor Knesset faction chairman Haim Ramon said Arafat's statement was "a great step forward."

The reaction among various PLO factions to Arafat's statements ranges from denunciations to claims that the covenant had long ago become obsolete.

Leaders of a number of radical PLO factions, including Dr. George Habash's Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, the Syrian-based Democratic Front and the Palestinian National Salvation Front, said they would not be bound by Arafat's statements, according to reports.



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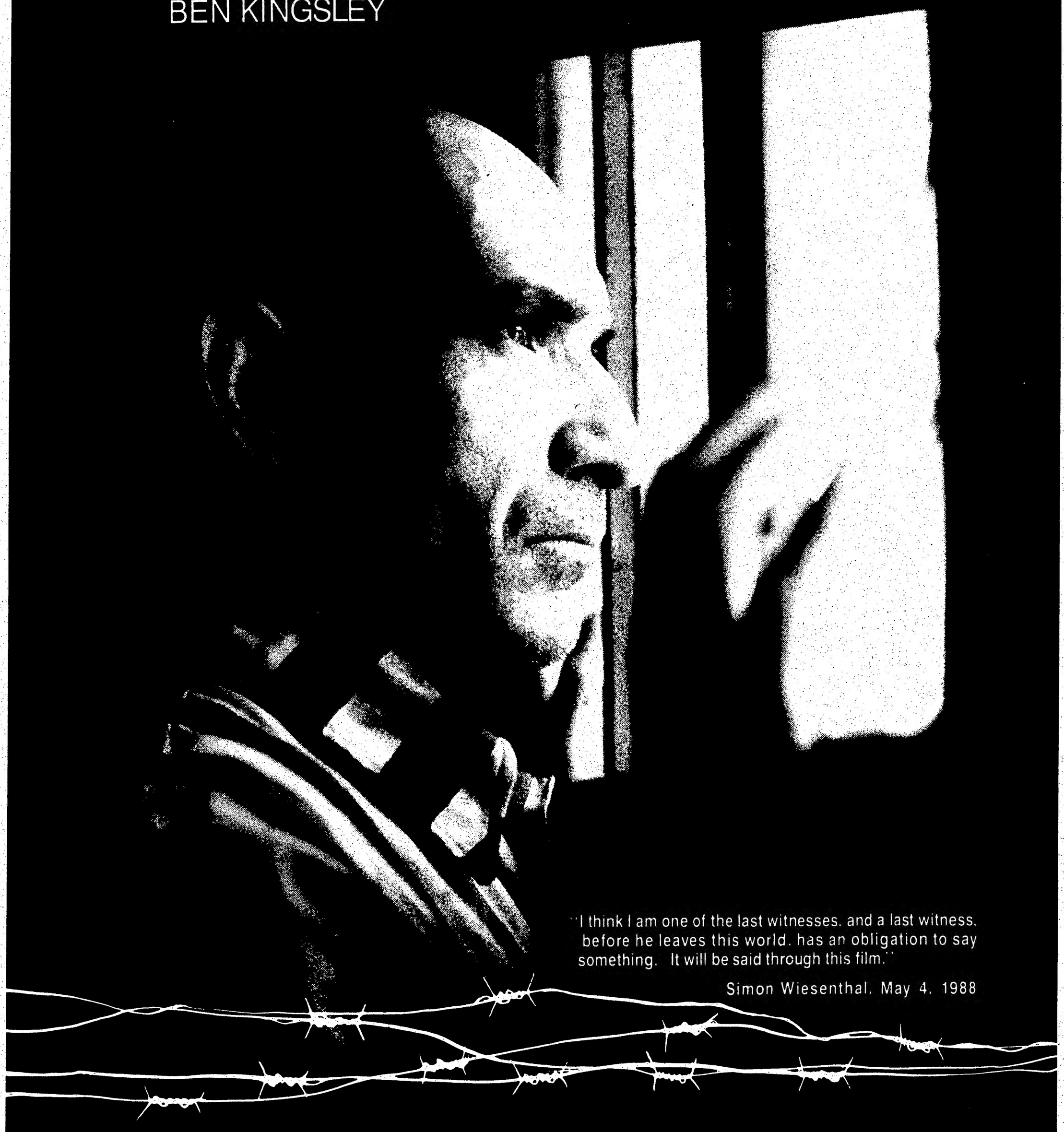

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"Not the time to turn inward"

Reitman urges CJC to continue social activism

By
JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

Outgoing Canadian Jewish Congress president Dorothy Reitman defended her administration's extending the CJC mandate to include social policy and human rights issues not specifically Jewish.

And she urged her successor, Les Scheininger, to continue that trend, despite opposition from some community fund raisers.

"I believe this is not the time for our community to turn inward," she said. Jews must participate "as part of the Canadian mosaic in ensuring a stable social climate in Canada. A healthy democratic Canada is the ultimate bulwark against anti-semitism and bigotry."

The competition that has developed between CJC and the federations in some communities because of similar agendas must be resolved in order that Canadian Jewry has "one credible voice — CJC."

The joint task force of CJC and the National Budgeting Conference is seeking ways to strengthen the role and mandate of CJC, she said.

Elsewhere in her report, Reitman said the Canadian government should not upgrade its contacts with the Palestine Liberation Organization because that represents a "deeply disturbing departure from Canada's policy.

If Canada wants to encourage PLO moderation it should publicly and privately demand that the PLO end terrorism, cease promoting violence in the occupied territories, unequivocally renounce its covenant and accept Israel's right to exist in peace and security, Reitman said.

Canada should also act as an "honest broker" in encouraging moderate Arab states to come to terms with Israel, she said.

Other concerns Reitman leaves to the next administration are increasing anti-semitic incidents, anti-Zionist activity on the campuses, the need for stronger anti-hate legislation, and the slow pace of war criminal prosecution in Canada.

Toronto lawyer Les Scheininger has been elected the new CJC president by acclamation. Reitman, it was announced, will become chairman of the Caribbean section of the Commonwealth Jewish Council.

More than 900 delegates and observers registered for the 22nd CJC Plenary Assembly, held at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel. This convention had an international flavor with the presence of over 40 members of the World Jewish Congress executive from the United States, Israel, Peru, Venezuela, France, Bolivia, Britain, Mexico, Czechoslovakia, Switzerland, Australia, Hungary, Yugoslavia, Brazil, Guatemala, Argentina and Holland.

Perhaps because of the lack of a presidential race, this Plenary had an unusually congenial atmosphere. Student participants staged a demonstration at the plenum addressed by WJC president Edgar Bronfman, but it was not disruptive. About 40 young people walked in clapping hands and singing Am Yisrael Chai.

Instead of causing outrage, some in the audience joined them and Bronfman gave a sympathetic ear to their requests. The students, led by the North American Jewish Students Network, want more funding for activities that promote Jewish identification such as Jewish education and travel to Israel and for the leaders of Network.

Canadian Jewry's highest citation, the Samuel Bronfman Medal, was awarded in absentia to Judge Sam Filer and Nathan Gaisin, both of Toronto. The two men are ill and could not attend.

Tony Filer accepted the medal on her husband's behalf, while Gaisin will be presented with his medal at the next CJC national executive meeting in Toronto. CJC honorary president Monroe Abbey made the presentation.

Although neither Prime Minister Brian Mulroney nor Premier Robert Bourassa made it to the Plenary (both were literally down the street attending the opening of Phyllis Bronfman Lambert's Canadian Centre for Architecture), the opening day of the Plenary did not lack political representation.

Immigration Minister Barbara McDougall brought official greetings, but the Liberals were out in full force at an opening reception: Bob Kaplan, Herb Gray, David Berger, Sheila Finestone, Herb Marx of the Quebec National Assembly, and Paul Martin Jr.

• **For more on the Plenary see May 18 edition.**

White supremacist Pursley, deported for second time

CALGARY (CP) —

Moments after he was ordered deported for the second time in less than a month, white supremacist Howard Pursley vowed last week he will return to Canada again.

"Yeah, I'm coming back," the American shot back at reporters in his Texan drawl as he was escorted away by security officers.

A 2-member immigration panel ruled that Pursley, a member of the Aryan Nations in Idaho, is ineligible to make another claim for refugee status because he returned to Canada illegally April 22 (CJN May 4).

"The (Immigration) Act is very specific," adjudicator Paul Kyba told Pursley, who thumbed through a copy of the Bible as he listened, head bowed, to the ruling. "You do not have a right to come into or remain in Canada."

Pursley, 23, was deported earlier this month when his original refugee claim was rejected by a 2-member immigration panel. The panel ruled there was no credibility to his claim that he is being persecuted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation for his beliefs.

Under the Immigration Act, a person who has been deported can never return to the country without the written consent of the immigration minister. A person can make another refugee claim, but it must be from outside the country and not before 90 days have passed since the deportation.

Hal Joffe, president of the Calgary Jewish Community Council, said Pursley's second appearance before an immigration panel shows there are loopholes in the act that prevent Ottawa from simply throwing out someone who has already been deported.

Pursley was originally arrested Feb. 10 for working in Canada illegally.

Top Israeli ministers approve peace program

JERUSALEM —

A draft document containing the principals of Israel's peace program, modelled along the general lines of the Camp David Accords, was submitted Sunday morning to the so-called "forum of four" — Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, Vice-Premier Shimon Peres, Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Foreign Minister Moshe Arens.

If approved, the document will serve as the basis for talks with a top-level U.S. state department delegation, lead by Dennis Ross, head of the department's policy planning staff, which will arrive here this week for a 24-hour visit.

Officials in Jerusalem indicated the document envisages elections in the territories, to be followed by talks on an interim arrangement and by subsequent talks on a final settlement.

The document does not specify what type of elections will be preferred, but leaves open the options of both a general-political and a municipal poll. It does express a general but unspecified agreement to the presence of international observers in the elections; notes that elections can be held only after a period of calm in the territories; and does not give any indication of the type of final settlement which Israel is aiming to achieve.

The sources said the document skirts the issue of the participation of East Jerusalem residents in the elections, on which Rabin and Shamir have yet to agree.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's office, however, announced that residents of East Jerusalem will not be permitted to participate in the elections in the territories.

The official statement asserted that "the Arabs of East Jerusalem are residents of the unified capital of Israel, and the Prime Minister therefore opposes their participation in elections intended for the Arabs of Judea, Samaria and Gaza."

The draft document was originally slated to be submitted for full cabinet approval next Sunday, before Arens' and Rabin's scheduled trips to Washington next week. The Labor Party, however, now appears to oppose a formal cabinet vote on the document. Deputy Finance Minister Yossi Beilin said Saturday that a vote might place the government in a situation where it is committed to a plan which has been rejected by Israel's negotiating partners.

Bronfman doesn't mince his words

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about Israel's future and whether it has a future. It's very serious."

Bronfman raised doubts about exchanging land for peace. "You're giving a real thing for a piece of paper. History is replete with pieces of paper that have been torn up at the convenience of one party."

He advised Diaspora Jews to "grin and bear it" until peace is achieved. "I urge all of you, when you're really fed up, to imagine yourself looking in the mirror the morning there is no State of Israel and how empty you will feel."

Bronfman minced no words in the final major subject of his address — Kurt Waldheim and Austria.

Bronfman said he welcomes the possibility of Waldheim seeking a re-election as Austrian president in 1992. "Let Austria decide if it is a civilized country or the dirty anti-semitic dogs they have been so far." Bronfman is bitter that the Austrians have shown no remorse for their association with Nazism during World War II.

Religion, politics to be examined

TORONTO —

Some of the top experts from around the world will discuss religion and politics in the Middle East at the 2-day annual national conference of Canadian Professors for Peace in the Middle East, May 14-15 in Toronto.

The conference kicks off at 8 p.m. on Sunday, May 14 with a discussion on Religious Radicalism and the Secular in the Middle East, CPPME national chairman Prof. Irving Abella announced recently. All sessions will be held in the Combination Room at Trinity College, University of Toronto.

Speakers at the opening session include Emmanuel Sivan of Hebrew University, Aryeh Shmuelevitz, Dayan Centre at Tel Aviv University and Shireen Hunter of the Centre for Strategic and International Studies in Washington.

The opening session on Monday morning is titled Political Community and Religious Pluralism in the Middle East, with Allan Arkush, State University of New York at Binghampton, Saleem Qureshi, University of Alberta, and Clifford Orwin, University of Toronto participating.

Subsequent panels will deal with Secular-Religious Tension in the Arab World and Secular Religious Tension in Israel. A luncheon speech by Shireen Hunter will examine Religion and Politics in the Middle East, Past, Present and Future Trends.

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Jerusalem assailant said to be working alone

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the intifada. The PFLP is thus encouraging its main supporter among Israeli Arabs, the Abna el-Balad (Sons of the Village) organization, to share the burden of the uprising with their brothers in the territories rather than take part in the struggle for equal rights within the framework of Israeli democracy.

Meanwhile, two elderly Jews were stabbed to death last week in the heart of Jerusalem by an Arab who ran amok on Jaffa Rd.

The dead were identified as Nissim Levy, aged 90, and attorney Vardi Kalman, aged 60.

Seven hours later, a Jewish settler from the Etz Efraim settlement in Samaria was stabbed five times by a young Arab.

The settler was rushed to a hospital in Petah Tikva, where his condition was described as "light to moderate."

Initial reports on the later incident indicated the attacker was a boy of 16 or 17 who set upon the settler as he worked on building his home inside the settlement. The youth fled after the attack into the wadis nearby.

Police said the Jerusalem attacker was acting alone, and there was no immediate link between the two incidents.

One of the injured in Jerusalem, Levy's wife, was in critical condition; the other two, both men, were described in serious condition with chest wounds sustained from the attack.

The attacker, who was caught shortly after the assault, was saved by policemen from being lynched by an angry crowd. According to some witnesses, a second attacker fled from the scene.

Eyewitnesses said the attack took place in late morning. One or two Arab youths indiscriminately attacked a number of people who were sitting on a bench at a bus stop opposite Jerusalem's main post office on Jaffa Road.

The attacker, approximately 25 years old, reportedly shouted "Allah akhbar" (God is great) as he was carrying out the attack.

Police commanders said the Jewish crowd was on the verge of lynching the attacker, which they said was "unacceptable."

Police Commander David Kraus said the attacker "appears to have worked alone."

Kraus said that from the ongoing interrogation, it appeared that the man had attended prayers at the Dome of the Rock the night before — the 27th day of Ramadan — which is a day of special prayers, and then slept over on the Temple Mount.

For hours after the episode, the city centre seethed with inter-racial hatred fanned by Meir Kahane, Knesset member Rehavam Ze'evi, and other, lesser known, right-wing activists, who led mobs screaming for vengeance and "death to the Arabs."

Police arrested Kahane and six followers near Jaffa Road, and other Kach activists near Mea Shearim, where a passing Arab was beaten up.

Nissim Levy, one of the elderly men stabbed to death, may have contributed more to Israel's security in his own way than many a well known national hero. Former U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz credited Levy's son, Dr. Yosef Levy, with first arousing his sympathy for the Jewish state.

Yosef Levy, who was Shultz's doctoral student at the University of Chicago in the early 1960s, was killed by a Jordanian mortar shell on the first day of the Six Day War. He insisted on fighting with his old army comrades even though he had not been called up to serve.

Shultz, who revealed the story on a visit to Israel shortly before leaving the state department, said the selfless act of his star pupil made him want to know more about the country that evoked such patriotism.

The U.S. state department condemned the attack but department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said she did not know if the assault on Jerusalem's main shopping street was an act of terrorism.

Tutwiler refused to say whether this act was a violation of the Palestine Liberation Organization's renunciation of terrorism, which was one of the conditions the United States insisted upon before agreeing to open a dialogue with the PLO.

In other developments, a cache of arms was discovered in Copenhagen which Danish police said was sufficient to start a small war. The discovery resulted in the arrest of 10 people suspected of staging robberies in support of a Syrian-based Palestinian terrorist organization.

The suspects are all Danish nationals, one of them born in Jordan. They were remanded in custody for 21 days, during which time the police hope to gather enough evidence to support a charge sheet.

They were also accused of kidnapping a bank director in 1980 and holding him for ransom.

The $10 million proceeds of those and other robberies since 1983 was sent by Syrian diplomatic mail to the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine headed by George Habash, police said.

Meanwhile, an Israeli official said Arab youths in Bethlehem have stoned buses of pilgrims and then barricaded themselves in the Church of the Nativity, cofident that security forces would not break into the church to apprehend them.

The official, who asked not to be named, told of the incidents in reaction to a recent statement by the leaders of the historic churches in Jerusalem condemning the Israeli government for its actions in the intifada. He said the last such incident of stonethrowers hiding in the church marking Christ's birth followed their attack on a group of German pilgrims on April 16.

In another sharp reaction to the church leaders' criticism of Israel, a group of Jerusalem Protestant pastors expressed their "dismay" at the "unhelpful and one-sided" accusation.

The statement that caused the furor, issued by the heads of the Greek Orthodox, Armenian, Roman Catholic, Syrian Orthodox and Anglican churches, was the strongest criticism until now of Israel by local Christian leaders. It spoke of "unprovoked harassment" and "frequent shooting incidents in the vicinity of the holy places."

Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek and Religious Affairs Minister Zevulun Hammer responded to the charges by accusing the church leaders of imbalance, as they failed to speak out when Jewish worshippers were stoned at the Western Wall.

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U.S. Jews applaud Baker's warning

WASHINGTON (JTA) — The American Jewish leadership welcomed Secretary of State James Baker's warning last week that the United States would withhold funds for any United Nations body that gives the Palestine Liberation Organization full membership.

In a statement read by state department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler, Baker said he would recommend to President George Bush "that the United States make no further contribution, voluntary or assessed, to any international organization which makes any change in the PLO's present status as an observer organization."

Baker's warning came just before the World Health Organization is scheduled to convene for its annual assembly in Geneva. On the agenda is a proposal to grant the PLO's declared state of Palestine full membership in the UN body.

The United States contributes about 25% of the agency's budget, with its 1990 fiscal year contribution set at $73.8 million, Tutwiler said.

Western European allies support the U.S. decision, Tutwiler said. When asked if that included France, Tutwiler responded, "My understanding was that it was with all of our allies."

The Name Game

There is a story in almost every Jewish surname and Toronto lawyer FRED M. CATZMAN has been researching their origins over the past few years. Mr. Catzman reports on his research in The CJN.

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HOFFMAN

Miriam Kelly is curious about the origin of her maiden name HOFFMAN. I give her her choice of the following alternatives:

HOF is a place name in Central Germany and may denote a person who comes from that town.

HOF also means court or farm which yields three more alternatives — a person in the service of a nobleman like a court physician, a person who lived in a courtyard or a farm steward.

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Revelation of Torah: From Sinai to Today

World-National

Will help create "good Jewish citizens of Israel"

Emunah receives $50,000 for children's village

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —
A check for $50,000 was presented to Emunah Women of Canada by the Hamilton Supporters of Israel at a recent Sunday breakfast at Adas Israel Synagogue.

Beaming broadly as he handed the check to Emunah Women national president Baila Aspler of Montreal, Morris Lax said that the money would go directly "to a home for Jewish children so they should grow up to be good Jewish citizens of Israel."

The home is Neve Michael, a children's village established in 1950 by Emunah National Religious Women's Organization of Israel for children rescued from Europe by Youth Aliyah during World War II. Since then, Neve Michael has absorbed children from every wave of immigration as well as children from deprived and physically and emotionally abusive homes.

The Hamilton Supporters of Israel was founded in the 1970s by a handful of couples determined to do some fund raising for Israel on their own. With an annual Yom Ha'atzmaut dinner-dance as its main fund raising project, the group has over the years raised hundreds of thousands of dollars for medical services and social agencies in Israel.

Baila Aspler (centre) national president, Emunah Women, with plaque presented to Morris Lax (left) in recognition of donation to Hamilton Supporters of Israel. Rabbi Morton Green of Adas Israel Synagogue is on far right and flanking are (left) Goldie Lax and (right) Jack Rotstein, immediate past president, Hamilton Supporters of Israel.

Describing the Hamilton Supporters of Israel as "a major and important organization," breakfast chairman Rabbi Morton Green noted in his opening remarks that the group hopes to raise $150,000 this year.

The group's philosophy, emphasized Green, is to support the government of Israel no matter which party is in power and the money, he said, "goes exclusively to Israel . . . without any ulterior motive."

The donation to Neve Michael comes as a result of a recent visit to the youth village by Rabbi Green and his wife Sylvia and Morris and Goldie Lax. Moved by what they saw, they resolved to help "the kids who cannot make it on their own."

Accepting the check, Baila Aspler noted that Emunah Women of Canada was founded as an umbrella organization for various religious women's groups.

The organization cares for children and seniors, provides adult education and "meets basic human needs within a framework steeped in Torah values."

On behalf of Emunah Women, Aspler presented a plaque to the Hamilton Supporters of Israel, which was accepted by Lax, a founding member and honorary chairman. Immediate past president Jack Rotstein represented president Nate Feldman at the head table and another guest was Marcie Gilbert, executive director, Emunah Women of Toronto.

Maccabiah coverage on Toronto FM

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —
Bob Uecker or Don Chevrier he's not, but come the all-star break when baseball takes a breather, radio listeners interested in alternative action from the diamond will be able to tune in Mel Raskin's on the spot, play-by-play coverage.

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In what's shaping up as a Maccabiah of firsts — what with the Soviet Union sending a team to the Games — Canadians within range of the Toronto-based CIUT-FM's radio beacon will for the first time be able to hear coverage of Maccabiah Games softball and basketball games as well as half-hour highlight segments direct from the Holy Land.

Raskin, along with Allen Gerskup and Larry St. Aubin will be in Israel at the upcoming 13th bar mitzvah Maccabiah Games, July 3-13. They will give Canadian listeners a verbal description of the spectacular opening ceremonies July 3 at 7 p.m. along with athlete interviews and game coverage, said Gerskup.

Listeners in an area around Toronto bounded approximately by Cobourg, Kitchener, Barrie and Buffalo will be able to tune in each night at 89.5 on the FM dial — the University of Toronto Community Radio station.

The manager of the 1985 softball team, Gerskup told The CJN the three were in Israel this winter finalizing arrangements and investigating the logistics of the venture.

The coverage will be relayed to Canada via telephone hookup and some reports will appear on a tape delay basis. Altogether, some 20 hours of prime time air time will be made available for the Games.

In addition to coverage of the opening ceremonies, where 4,000 athletes from more than 40 countries will parade before 60,000 spectators, CIUT will present a 30-minute show beginning at 7 p.m. from July 4-9.

From July 10-12, the program goes on the air at 6.15 p.m.

Raskin, who has broadcast games of the Spengler Cup hockey tournament as well as Canada-Soviet hockey featuring Canada's national team, will handle the play-by-play reporting, while Gerskup will provide color commentary for softball games, with Maccabi Canada official Bernie Offstein handling basketball.

Gerskup said they have already recorded two 15-minute segments entitled the Road to the Games, featuring interviews with athletes and Maccabi Canada personalities. They are "in the can" and along with four other shows, will be broadcast at 5.45 p.m. on Thursdays from May 4 to June 6.

For Gerskup, Raskin and St. Aubin, the CIUT station manager who is handling the technical side of things, the Israel venture is a real labor of love. Raskin said they are doing it on a volunteer basis, though they have raised some funds to underwrite some of the costs involved.

In fact, Gerskup is lining up some substantial advertisers for the shows and is also soliciting contributions to help defray the costs incurred.

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Organizations and People

"No right" to tell Israel how to ensure survival

World has a short memory, says Meir Rosenne

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —
The world "has no right" to tell Israel how to ensure her survival, says one of the chief architects of the 1978 Camp David peace accord between Egypt and Israel.

Meir Rosenne

Meir Rosenne, Israel's former ambassador to the United States, told an audience at Shaar Hashomayim Synagogue recently that Israel is today stronger than ever, thanks in large measure to the treaty that guaranteed peace between Israel and her strongest enemy, Egypt.

In a wide-ranging speech, at the event sponsored by State of Israel Bonds, Rosenne said the world "has a short memory.

"When we signed the peace treaty with Egypt, we did not receive a single telegram of congratulations. Rather, it was the first time that democratic countries of the world condemned a treaty of peace at the United Nations.

"They were saying, 'Your military cemeteries aren't full. You have to keep fighting.' "

Today, he said, no one seems to recall that several former high-profile terrorists sit on the PLO team now holding talks in Tunis with the United States.

Rosenne said Abu Abbas, the man supposedly responsible for the 1986 hijacking of the Achille Lauro cruise liner and for the murder of Leon Klinghoffer, an American Jew, sits on the PLO negotiating team, as do members of the Black September movement, who murdered 11 Israeli athletes at the 1972 Munich Olympics.

He said Israel lost the world's sympathy when it annexed territories in the Six-Day War. The current states of war and the intifada are a "campaign against the Jews, designed to break our spirit.

"The problem is not with Israel and the Jews," he said, "but with the rest of the world, which sees Jews only as victims."

Out of 120 Members of the Knesset, "at least 90" are against any concessions to the PLO, said Rosenne, who currently lectures in law at Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

He said the United States needs Israel "not less" than Israel needs the U.S. and he pointed to the arsenal of Soviet-made weapons Israel has captured in all her wars with Arab states.

Israel transferred all those weapons "lock, stock and barrel" to Washington for examination, and their economic value has been "about $50 billion."

Since 1948, Israel has received some $23 billion in U.S. aid and jokingly, Rosenne said the U.S. still owes Israel about $27 billion, based on the value of the captured Soviet weapons.

Despite 40 years of war, he said, Israel is still democratic, and, ironically, among all the countries in the region, only the Jewish state allows Arabs to vote.

Holocaust posters given to schools

TORONTO —
A special poster series on the Holocaust titled "The Courage to Remember" were presented recently to the Toronto Public School Board and the Metropolitan Toronto Separate School Board by the Canadian Friends of the Simon Wiesenthal Center.

The presentations were made by Cecil Yolles, Lynn Belzberg and Sol Littman on behalf of the Centre..

The Courage to Remember has been praised by educators as an effective resource in teaching and understanding the history of the Holocaust and its significance for mankind.

Depicting the origins and development of the Holocaust against the background of World War II, the exhibit consists of over 200 photographs in 40 full-color panels. Many of the photographs, discovered in musty archives and contributed by survivors, have never before been seen by the public.

"Knowledge of the Holocaust is becoming increasingly vital," said Littman, the Centre's Canadian representative. "As the philosopher Santayana stated: 'Those who fail to learn from history are condemned to re-live it.' "

The gift of The Courage to Remember was made possible by the generosity of the Yolles Family Foundation.

For further information, contact project coordinator Doris Epstein at the Wiesenthal Center's Toronto office: (416) 864-9735.

PLO man speaks at May Day rally

By
BRIAN HENRY

TORONTO —
Abdullah Abdullah, the representative of the PLO in Canada, brought his organization's "fraternal greetings" to a May Day rally held in Toronto's Trinity-Bellwoods Park.

Abdullah, who only spoke for about one minute, expressed the PLO's support for the national liberation movements in South Africa, Namibia and elsewhere.

"To us, it does not end with fighting occupation," said Abdullah, but (the struggle extends to) fighting all sorts of denial of basic human rights."

"We have the challenge to join ranks with all those deprived of rights in their homelands as we are deprived of our homelands," he said. "And we will win."

Endorsed by over three dozen organizations, including trade unions, Marxist parties and national liberation organizations, the rally attracted about 200 people.

The United Jewish People's Order was in attendance. Members of the UJPO handed out a leaflet inviting people to a demonstration "in support of a Palestinian State" and "to mark the 22nd anniversary of the Israeli occupation."

Other speakers besides Abdullah included Linda Torney, president of the Metropolitan Toronto and York Region Labour Council; Dan Heap, NDP MP for Trinity-Spadina; Lorne Robson of the Communist Party of Canada; Peter Mahlangu, a representative of the African National Congress; and Marcel Dossantis, Speaker of the National Assembly of Mozambique.

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Organizations and People

Educator to link name with Israeli program

"Teacher's teacher" Irwin Witty to be honored

By
CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —
Rabbi Irwin (Yitzchak) Witty's name is synonymous with Jewish education in every segment of the community.

On Sunday, May 21, Yeshivot Hesder and hundreds of the rabbi's colleagues and friends will gather at a tribute dinner at the Beth Avraham Yoseph of Toronto Congregation in Thornhill, to show their appreciation to the director of Toronto's Board of Jewish Education and dean of the Toronto Hebrew Teachers' Seminary (Midrasha L'Morim).

Known as the "teacher's teacher," the affable educator will link his name with Yeshivot Hesder, an educational program in Israel that unites advanced Torah study with Israeli military service.

Witty, an orator with a sharp wit, says he is proud to be associated with Israeli soldiers who choose to combine their army obligations with their religious studies.

"I feel very strongly that what these boys are doing is kiddush Hashem — a sanctification of G-d's name and all that we dream of in a Jewish state — one that will be secure in its defences and an embodiment of Torah and Jewish tradition."

He is quick to point out that it is a myth that all Orthodox young men ask for exemption from the services. "Nothing can be farther from the truth."

The first Hesder Yeshiva came into existence 30 years ago with assistance from Mizrachi-Hapoel Hamizrachi. By the 1973 Yom Kippur War, the Yeshivot had grown to several hundred Hesder student-soldiers.

They formed entire units which served with distinction in frontline battles. More than 85% are frontline combat troops.

The Hesder units became highly valued and many yeshiva students became officers. Graduates of Yeshivot Hesder's 14 campuses throughout Israel serve as rabbis and teachers and fill positions in all walks of life in Israel.

A native of New York, Witty majored in Jewish Studies at Yeshiva University where he was recognized for his outstanding achievements in Jewish History and he received the Bitzaron Award for his excellence in Hebrew Literature.

Graduate studies

He took graduate studies at Columbia University majoring in history, and at Temple University in Philadelphia, where he pursued his Masters program in education. He entered the rabbinics program of Yeshiva University, followed by studies at the Mirrer Yeshiva and Dropsie University.

He holds teacher's and principal's certificates from Gratz College in Philadelphia. In 1956, the young scholar married Shulamith Poupko of Philadelphia, who hails from a distinguished rabbinical family.

The Wittys spent six years in Philadelphia where the young rabbi served as a pulpit rabbi and on the staff of a local day school.

He accepted a post in Winnipeg as principal of the Talmud Torah Hebrew School and the Joseph Wolinsky Collegiate. Simultaneously, he served as spiritual leader of Congregation Beth Hamedrash Ashkenazi.

When Dr. Joseph Diamond retired as director of Toronto's Board of Jewish Education in 1969, Witty was persuaded to take the position in Toronto.

He recalls that one of the factors that influenced the decision to move, was a desire to have schools and yeshivot where their four children, Noah, Judy, Leah and Avraham Aryiah, could remain close to home while they continued their education.

Now, 20 years later, he comments, "It was a great move — Toronto is an exciting, vibrant community where I have had many exhilarating experiences."

Leaning back in his chair in his office at the Lipa Green Building, the raconteur strokes his graying beard and speaks of the satisfaction he receives from his contribution to the growth of a world class Jewish educational system.

He has been the guiding hand in developing educational services for principals and teachers and training them at the Midrasha and he has been involved in the Jewish Teachers' Training program at York University in a combined Faculty of Arts and Religious Studies Program.

Some of the highlights in his brilliant educational career: his involvement in the Orah school for Jewish children from the Soviet Union; his leadership in the founding of the She'arim Hebrew Day School for Jewish children with learning problems; and a host of exciting developments in psycho-educational and remedial programs which are administered by the Jewish Vocational Services.

The rabbi's days are filled to the brim — meetings with government officials, chairing a national multicultural advisory committee, creating a new program on World Religions for the Toronto Board of Education, appearing on radio and television where he is a guest and commentator, and his many lecture engagements to almost every major community in Canada, the United States, Australia, Venezuela, Denmark, South Africa and many others.

Dedicated to building unity in the community, his whirlwind schedule includes numerous active affiliations including, the Rabbinical Council of America, the Toronto Board of Rabbis, and he is a vice-president of the Religious Zionists of Canada.

Witty has travelled to Israel 20 times and he has visited many of the Yeshivot Hesder campuses which now have thousands of students. In 1985, he served as the first guest lecturer at the Melton Centre Summer Institute at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

With enthusiasm, he speaks of his pride in Toronto's Jewish school system which has more than 9,000 day school students and a registration of 6,000 congregational and supplementary students.

Toronto, he notes, is recognized as "Jewish Canada" in terms of leadership, political clout and Jewish education. "I believe that we have the finest Jewish education system available anywhere outside of Israel.

Rabbi Irwin Witty

"But we should not rest on our laurels — there are many challenges we still need to meet. At any given time, there are thousands of Jewish children who are not in a Jewish educational setting. We need to reach out to the parents of these children and encourage experimental programs to enhance the Jewish educational experiences of our youngsters."

He is pleased that the organized Jewish community of Toronto has been "very generous" in funding Jewish education. "There has been an unusual growth and understanding in our community that Jewish education is a priority of the highest order."

If Toronto is recognized as the jewel in the crown of Jewish education in the Diaspora, then Witty can be considered the master craftsman.

With boyish shyness, he comments that he is "extremely pleased" to be chosen as the honoree at the Yeshivot Hesder dinner.

"They represent the best future of Israel. And it's a nice way of learning that the community has a recognition of Jewish education and whatever contribution I have made to it."

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Yom Hashoa service recalls the slain children

By
DORIS STRUB EPSTEIN

TORONTO —
The story of the senseless tragedy of 1½ million Jewish children whose lives were cut short by the Holocaust unfolded in two hours of a moving Yom Hashoa program at Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Congregation.

The two hours of speeches, music and dramatic readings in the event sponsored by the Holocaust Remembrance Committee of Toronto Jewish Congress left the audience shaken and moved to tears.

"They had no chance, no hope," said committee chairman and Holocaust survivor Robert Engel of the children.

"Because they couldn't be used for labor the children and the old people were killed. Twenty-five per cent of the Jewish victims were children."

Six children lit the six symbolic menorah candles for the six million.

Seven-year-old Rachel Van Der Kooy represented the "Righteous of the Nations." Her grandfather, John Van Der Boom was named a Righteous Gentile for saving Jews during the Holocaust.

The theme of remembering the children became vivid and poignant when Bialik students Robin Sacks and Mark Katez read in Yiddish, the language of so many of the victims. Teenagers Adam Minsky and Laina Scolnick read in English.

The adult readers of the poetry and prose of the Holocaust were Eileen Thalenberg, Alan Farkas, Michael Leibovic and Susan Soberman.

Rabbi Dow Marmur of Holy Blossom Temple was one of the few children who managed to survive. He talked about what that meant to him.

"Those of us that survived, could endure it that we were robbed of our childhoods," he said. "but what we almost could not endure was that we were left alone. What helps is to accept our responsibilities as survivors and remember and build the bridges to future generations."

Year of the Child

The rabbi told those present that in this, the Year of the Child, innocent children are still being victimized by violence. "We must protect all children, because we lost so many."

The first task is to remember and then to make sure the next generation knows, he said. Then comes solidarity with all victims of violence and injustice. The final task is continuity to ensure that the Jewish people go on.

"We need the next generation and we burden them with an awesome task — somehow to take the place of those that didn't live to maturity."

Recent world events make the task of remembering increasingly important. Herb Rosenfeld, president of Toronto Jewish Congress, told the silent, attentive audience that in West Germany, the neo-Nazi Republican Party won nearly 8% of the popular vote. The West German company that shipped potentially deadly chemicals to Libya, was a major shareholder in the company that supplied poison gas to Auschwitz, he added.

In Canada the Deschenes Commission recommended immediate action in the cases of 20 suspected Nazi war criminals and investigation of a further 218 suspects, Rosenfeld said. So far there are only two active cases.

The anguish of the day was especially felt in the music. Cantors Louis Danto and Hesh Meyersdorf and the Holy Blossom Choir, conducted by Benjamin Maissner, were powerful and intensified the impact of the event.

"Never again," declared Israeli Consul-General Benjamin Abileah. "We must make that central to our thinking."

Rosenfeld added: "The highest form of tribute to the memory of the children is to remember, to teach when and where we can and to strengthen our resolve to work for a better world."

Lighters of memorial candles at Toronto Jewish Congress Yom Hashoa program are (from left) Shelly Feld, Brett Beber, Jessica Wyman, Bess Joffe, Morry Weisfeld and Rachel Van Der Kooy.

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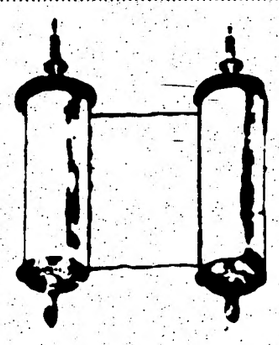

sparks from the torah

By
RABBI MEIR URI GOTTESMAN

Parshat Emor / Pirkei Avot
(Ethics of the Fathers)

A person is just a person. We must constantly battle our own urges, our own meanness.

A chassidic young man came to Reb Naphtali of Rupsohitz with a complaint that he was troubled with *machshvot zarot*, foreign, lustful thoughts that invaded him.

Rabbi Gottesman

Reb Naphtali gave him sage advice how to rid himself of his wanton thoughts. But a short time later the young man was back with the same problem. Again Reb Naphtali gave him advice how to free himself.

Not a few weeks passed and the young man was back: "The foreign, lustful thoughts are back!" he complained.

Reb Naphtali lost patience: "Young man," he said, "do you know what machshvot zarot, means? When a person has his head in Heavenly matters, in Torah, in mitzvahs, and then he is bothered by a lustful impulse, then such a thought is foreign! But when you put your head into daydreaming about lust, then the thoughts are not foreigners! They're part of you, from you!" (Fun Unzer Alten Oitzer)

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There is no person who can climb out of his or her own skin. We must struggle inside ourselves to overcome our smallness, our pettiness, our *yetzer horah*, our desires, our jealousies.

Each summer Saturday afternoon, we study from the Pirkei Avot, Ethics of the Fathers, how a Jew can become a fine Jew, a mentch.

Advises Akaviah Ben Mahallalel: "Gaze upon three things, and you will not come to sin: Consider whence you came; where you are destined to go; and before whom you will have to give judgement!

"Whence did you come? From a small, putrid drop.

"Where are you destined to go? A place of dust and worms.

"And before whom will you have to give judgment? The King of Kings!" (Ethics 3:1)

Why is this saint dwelling on just three three points? But we learned previously that three grevious weaknesses can destroy a person: "*Kinah, taavoh, kavod* . . . Envy, lust, pursuit of honors."

So the great rabbi is giving a prescription to prevent these weaknesses:

Kavod? A person pursues honors, recognition, headlines? He or she is angry when no one pays them enough accolades? Why? Look where you came from, just a tiny, putrid drop. Who are you to fret about honors?

Kinah? Envy? Why envy? Envy whom? The person who has more in the back account? Or the bigger house? Or the better looks? Do we take our bank account with us, or our looks, or our house?

Taavoh? And lust? There is plenty of lust. Oh, boy! But someday we will have to pay a price for not being what we could have been, finer, more spiritual human beings who could control our eyes, our thoughts, our bodies.

There are no angels; we are just simple human beings. Look at that rabbi, look at that pious woman, look at that scholar, look at that yeshivah bocher. No one is made out of silk, no one is made out of stone. We are in a *milchamah*, a war to control ourselves, our temptations, our hatreds, our insecurities, and elevate ourselves above it all.

We must fill our hearts with love, love for God, love for every other human being, love for Torah and a *derhoibener leben*, an exalted life. Shabbat Shalom.

JCT Friends plans fete for Sugar

TORONTO —

David Sugar is being honored as an International Friend of the Jerusalem College of Technology, at a dinner June 13 at Inn on the Park.

Actor Elliott Gould and Avi Ben-Ari, a former member of Israel's delegation to the United Nations, are among the speakers.

Sugar was accorded this honor by Zvi Weinberger, president of the college, "in recognition of the ideas, energy and resources he contributed to the College, and in particular the establishment of the Thin Film Technology Centre."

Sugar, who is chairman of the Canadian Friends of JCT, is the first Canadian to receive this award.

The memory of the late Louis Lockshin is also being honored, and an award in his name will be presented to Kurt Rothschild, a JCT director. Lockshin was well known for his commitment to Jewish communal causes in Canada, Israel and abroad.

Founded 20 years ago, the Jerusalem College of Technology provides a unique learning environment of "hands on" applied scientific training, and nourishes moral values with intensive Judaic studies, the Canadian Friends said in a statement.

Faculty and students of The JCT are involved in diverse research projects that could revitalize Israel's economy, the statement said.

Current projects include the manufacturing of artificial veins; hydroponics, the ability to grow food without soil; the design and manufacturing of instruments to measure blood flow; computer systems to control traffic and reduce accidents; and the development of highly efficient solar cells to convert sunlight directly into electricity.

Projects conducted by students and faculty of the College have resulted in the establishment of a number of high-tech companies in Israel, producing a variety of products, such as personal fingerprint identification access control systems, medical diagnostic instruments, thin film in infra-red filters, and small, compact hi-output lasers.

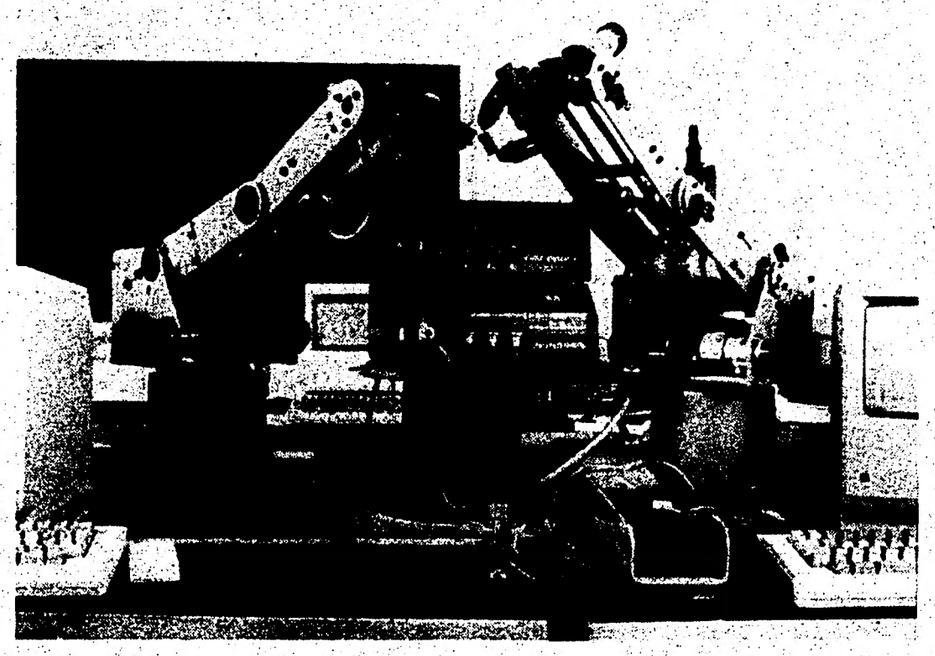
"The key to Israel's economic independence is the utilization of her greatest natural resources — the skill and intelligence of her scientists and technicians," says Sugar. "World technology and science is developing at an exponential rate, and Israel must keep abreast of, and indeed must forge ahead of this storm of universal change."

The fusion of Torah v'mada, Torah and science, and Torah im derech eretz, Torah worldliness, supports the basic premise of the JCT, according to Rothschild.

The JCT is currently involved in extensive Thin Film Coating Research, which is an essential component in the construction of solar cells used to harness solar energy. It is also used in the computer age for a myriad of applications from pacemakers and optical devices to industrial robots.

The college is currently expanding its facilities by the addition of sophisticated research equipment, and shortly hopes to install the Thin Film Technologies Centre in a "clean room," so that research can be conducted in a sterile environment.

For further information contact the Canadian Friends of the JCT, 2823 Bathurst Street, Toronto M6B 3A4, or call (416) 787-7565.



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Committed to establishing new branch

Ont. multicultural group puts focus on youth

By JEFF ROSEN

OTTAWA —

The Ontario Multicultural Association Multiculturelle de l'Ontario (OMAMO) has committed itself to establishing a youth wing to represent the growing youth leadership within the provincial organization.

The commitment was made as the association wound up its 1989 annual conference at the Westin Hotel in Ottawa. The conference was attended by over 250 educators and others involved in transmitting multiculturalism and race and ethnic relations, as well as 30 youth delegates from across the province — the largest youth contingent ever to attend an OMAMO meet.

During the 3-day We Are The Future conference, delegates took in presentations and participated in theme sessions designed to develop strategies to help provide youth with the skills they need to get along more effectively in Canada's multicultural society.

When the gathering finally came to an end, youth delegate Basma Abdelgafar brought the whole exercise down to a personal level, saying it had a great impact on her life as it finally made her feel like a Canadian.

"Our plans and ideas could have a great effect on Canada's future," said the Ottawa student, who feels she has been discriminated against because of her Egyptian heritage. "Someday I believe Canada will be a perfect example of a country that can put aside racial discrimination."

To help youth take a greater part in making this come about, she recommended OMAMO create a youth branch — a recommendation association president Karen Mock said would be drafted and immediately presented to the board of directors.

"If we can give youth the reason to march for their beliefs, we will have a better country," said conference chairman June Girvan from Ottawa.

In presenting further recommendations, Gloucester student Jill Hanley welcomed the weight being put on their suggestions and called for youth to help out more at future conferences.

"We had the opportunity to give our opinions and be counted," she said.

Throughout the theme sessions youth participants had the opportunity to do just that as various youth themes were explored.

In one dealing with youth and cultural adjustment, sociology professor Dr. Gertrude Neuwrith claimed that once someone belongs to a certain social class, it shields them from cultural labels.

This can be seen, she said, among Jews who have gone into professions and are no longer labelled by their cultural identity.

Janise Siegal, a North York educator, whose West Indian husband converted to Judaism, said they had to try harder in their marriage as people often expected them to fail.

"It was a challenge for us to make it in an atmosphere that was not perfect," she said in interview following her address.

Earlier in the day, Yvonne O'Neill, MPP for Ottawa Carleton, brought greetings from the minister of education and thanked OMAMO for its contributions to the provincial select committee on education.

"You're helping children discover their traditions and cultures," she said. "What we teach will determine the type of future we live in."

The Future Aces program was also examined by educators and founder Herbert Carnegie.

The program was developed by Carnegie, a former hockey player with the Quebec Aces in the American Hockey League, to help young people aspire to good citizenship. Initially used at his Willowdale Future Aces Hockey School to focus on being the best you can be, Carnegie was later asked to share the philosophy with students in North York schools.

Finally at OMAMO's closing banquet, Sonia Morris, president of the Canadian Council for Multicultural and Intercultural Education (CCMIE) — of which OMAMMO is an affiliate — praised the young delegates for "seeing things very clearly and saying things very honestly.

"I'm excited by the presence of young people who have a special role to play in this conference," said Morris, who announced that youth would be one of CCMIE's major themes at its 1990 conference, slated for Ottawa.

(OMAMO's 1990 conference is scheduled to be held in York Region in the towns of Markham and Vaughan.)

Dr. George McDonald, director of the Museum of Civilization, outlined the role and purpose of their new museum, slated to open June 29, saying it was a prototype for museums of the future.

The museum, located in Hull, Que., on the Ottawa River includes Canada's largest children's museum and incorporates multiculturalism into its exhibits.

It expects to showcase exhibits on over 200 cultural groups in the future starting with a Chinese exhibit, which will include an Imax/Omnimax film on the life of China's first emperor.

Beginning in 1991, the museum will highlight the Coat of Many Colors exhibit on Canada's Jewish community.

The show is being organized in conjunction with Friends of Beth Hatefutsoth. After being shown in Ottawa it will travel across Canada and visit New York before going to Beth Hatefutsoth Museum in Israel.

Gerry Phillips

Karen Mock

Multicultural pros, cons are examined

OTTAWA —

Despite racial problems which arise out of Canada's multicultural society, the country is still better off as a result of this mix of cultures, federal and provincial politicians told delegates at the 1989 annual conference of Ontario Multicultural Association Multiculturelle de l'Ontario.

Ontario Minister of Citizenship Gerry Phillips, Alvin Curling, provincial minister of skills development, and Pauline Bowes, parliamentary secretary to federal multicultural minister Gerry Weiner, opened the conference, by stressing the important role multiculturalism has played in building Canada. They also praised OMAMO for helping promote equal opportunity for all newcomers.

Association president Karen Mock outlined the role of OMAMO as an organization devoted to multiculturalism and race relations through education and training. She explained the conference's theme We Are The Future was geared towards youth and the conference would involve the younger generation as much as possible.

"After all, if we don't pass on the energy all of you have devoted all these years to equality in Ontario to the next generation and give them the skills to carry on, then I'm not sure what the future will bring."

Phillips said that while immigrants are arriving from different countries now then they did in the 50s and 60s, they are essentially the same types of "talented people who want to build a better future.

"Our job is to have an environment where we allow these people to become full, active participants," he said. "As we do this I know we can build a role model for the world. There is an immense advantage as we become more of a global trading nation to have such a diversity in this country."

With this diversity, said Phillips, comes certain problems and challenges, which must be tackled.

Phillips also brought greetings from Premier David Peterson who praised the provincial organization for pursuing racial and ethnocultural equality.

Bowes, bought greetings from Weiner in which the minister praised OMAMO for playing a key role in promoting and enhancing Canada's cultural diversity.

"The evolution of Canadian multiculturalism has not been without its obstacles," said Weiner. "We have had to face the fact that racism and racial discrimination still exists within our country.

"By working so diligently to break down the barriers of ignorance and misunderstanding you send out an unmistakeable message to all Canadians that we are a decent and caring people who will tolerate nothing less than a full, just and compassionate society."

Curling, addressing the theme of the conference, stressed the importance of utlizing the skills of young people. — J.R.

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Saturday, May 13

MONTE CARLO AND AUCTION

For an evening of fun and games, an exciting auction and refreshments, be sure to drop in at the Monte Carlo and Auction Night sponsored by Tzedakah Chapter of Hadassah-WIZO on Saturday, May 13, beginning at 8 p.m. at Thornhill Community Centre.

Admission is $5 and proceeds will be going to Youth Aliyah.

Sunday, May 14

JEWISH MAINSTREAMING

Plan to attend the presentation by **Nadine Mayers**, social worker and youth and family counsellor, who will be discussing Jewish Mainstreaming: How To Fit In When You Feel Left Out on Sunday, May 14, at 8 p.m. at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave.

The evening is sponsored by the synagogue's adult education committee and Entertainment and Cultural Connection.

ABOUT SOVIET JEWRY

On Sunday, May 14, Holy Blossom Temple's committee for Soviet Jewry is featuring **Marsha Slivka** who will speak about the temple's adopted family, the Luries, and other Refuseniks and also give more insights about her third trip to the Soviet Union.

The time is 8 p.m. in the board room of the temple, 1950 Bathurst St. There is no admission charge. For further information, call the temple office at 789-3291.

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Grab your running gear and join the 9th annual Speedy-Baycrest Fun Run on Sunday, May 14!

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A LITERARY EVENING

A literary evening dedicated to the memory of renowned Yiddish poet **Itzchak Goldkorn** will take place Sunday, May 14, at 8.30 p.m. at the Workmen's Circle, 471 Lawrence Ave. W.

The program will feature guest speaker **Sam Simchovitch**, prominent Toronto poet, and readings of Goldkorn's poetry by **David Newman**.

The evening is under the auspices of the Yiddish Culture Council.

HUMAN RIGHTS & IMMIGRATION

Rabbi Gunther Plaut, senior scholar at Holy Blossom Temple, will speak about human rights and Canada's immigration policy at the 22nd annual Workman Lecture at First Unitarian Church, 175 St. Clair Ave. W., on Sunday, May 14, at 8 p.m.

The title of the talk is A Perception of Immorality, Considerations of Our Present Refugee Policy.

The annual Workman Lecture commemorates **Dr. Joseph Workman** who was a leading physician and a pioneer in psychiatric care in Toronto and a founder of the First Unitarian Congregation in 1845.

PNAI MEETING

At the PNAI (Parents of North American Israelis) meeting on Sunday, May 14, **Max Goody**, a PNAI member, will be speaking on The Gathering Storm and will give an update on Israel. Also, **MP Joseph Volpe** is expected to attend to make a presentation of the Canadian flag to the group.

The time is 8 p.m. in the Shaarei Shomayim Brotherhood Hall, 470 Glencairn Ave.

PHOTOGRAPHICA FAIR

The Photographic Historical Society of Canada is presenting its 15th annual fair and sale of antique and classical photographica on Sunday, May 14, at Leaside Memorial Gardens, 1073 Millwood Dr. (at Laird).

The doors are open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and admission is $4 or $3 with a discount ticket available from camera dealers.

For further information, call 221-8888.

FAMILY PURITY LECTURES

The 2-part lecture series on Taharas Hamishpocha (Family Purity) co-sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary of Kolel Avreichem and Meginei Channah concludes on Sunday, May 14, with Reflections and Insights with **Rebbitzin Gittel Semititski**, a public educator from London, England.

The lecture takes place at 8 p.m. at Beth Jacob High School, 410 Lawrence Ave. W. This is for women only. There is no admission charge.

PROF. FACKENHEIM TO SPEAK

Prof. Emil Fackenheim will be the guest speaker at the Holy Blossom Temple Brotherhood Breakfast Club meeting on Sunday, May 14. His topic — Is the Siege Over?

Services are at 9 a.m., breakfast at 9.30, the speaker at 10. Everyone is welcome.

DAFFODIL SALE FOR CANCER

Patients in bright yellow smocks, residents and volunteers manned tables at Baycrest Hospital, the Jewish Home for the Aged and Baycrest Terrace for the annual sale of daffodils for the Canadian Cancer Society. The 1-day flower blitz raised more than $1,000 for cancer research. Shown above (from left) are Mary Burden, a resident of the Jewish Home for the Aged, Faye Mintz and Edie Stillman, Baycrest Centre volunteers, Jean Lepofsky (seated), Baycrest Centre resident, and two visitors who stopped to buy flowers.

MOTHER'S DAY SPEAKER

On Sunday, May 14, at 9.30 a.m., **Sharon Goelman**, art historian, will be the Mother's Day speaker at the Shaarei Shomayim Brotherhood Breakfast Club meeting. She will speak on Marc Chagall — A Blending of Two Worlds.

Sharon Goelman

At the same meeting brotherhood will honor **Carol Kravetsky**, a past president of Shaarei Shomayim Sisterhood, as Woman of the Year.

The public is invited. There is no charge for admission.

Monday, May 15

HELLER MEMORIAL LECTURE

The Ronald Heller Memorial Lecture of the Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto (CHAT) presents **Ruth Wisse**, professor of Yiddish literature, McGill University, on Monday, May 15, at 8.15 p.m. at CHAT, 200 Wilmington Ave.

Prof. Wisse will be speaking on The Making of Modern Jewish Culture: The Vision of Y.L. Peretz.

The public is invited and there is no charge for admission.

REMEMBERING FOR THE FUTURE

The Second Generation Subcommittee of the Holocaust Remembrance Committee/Toronto Jewish Congress invites you to Remembering for the Future: Action in the Present with guest speaker **Manfred Klaster**, chairman of Amcha, (Israel's Psychosocial Service for Survivors) plus the Canadian premiere of Eyes from the Ashes, a video based on Auschwitz archival photographs and produced by **Anne Weiss**.

The date is Monday, May 15, at 8 p.m. at the Lipa Green Building, 4600 Bathurst St.

There will also be refreshments, informal discussion, and an optional tour of the Holocaust Education and Memorial Centre.

NAGILLAH CHAPTER BBW

Nagillah Chapter, B'nai B'rith Women, 40 plus singles, is holding a general meeting on Monday, May 15, at 8 p.m. sharp at the North York Public Library, 5120 Yonge St.

The program will feature podiatrist **D.E. Rosenthal.** Refreshments will be served. Admission is $2.

For further information, contact **Betty** at 222-1281 or **Miriam** at 638-6493.

HOSPICE AND ITS ROLE

Shaar Shalom adult education committee's series, An Enlightened Look at Death and Dying, continues on Monday, May 15, with a talk on The Advent of Hospice and Its Role by social worker **Ilana Perlman**

The session begins at 8 p.m. at the synagogue, 2 Simonston Blvd., Thornhill.

MONDAY MAGIC

Ruth Abileah, wife of the consul-general of Israel, will be discussing Growing Up Jewish in Shanghai During World War II at the Monday, May 15, meeting of Monday MAGIC which takes place from 9.30-11.30 a.m. at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, 1700 Bathurst St.

Monday MAGIC is a women's group that meets on Monday mornings (babysitting available from newborns up) at Beth Tzedec.

Tuesday, May 16

ORT LUNCHEON & TRAVELOGUE

Givatayim Chapter, Toronto Women's ORT, is holding a luncheon and travelogue featuring **Tutzi Seguin's** Around the World in 60 Minutes.

The date is Tuesday, May 16, at 12.30 p.m. in the reception room of Dynasty Towers, 5460 Yonge St. (south of Finch subway station). Ample parking is available at Dynasty Towers. Use the Kempford St. entrance.

The luncheon charge is $20. Reservations should be made by calling 787-0297 or 223-9234.

Wednesday, May 17

JEWISH GUILT: FACT OR FICTION

A panel discussion on Jewish Guilt: Fact or Fiction? — Exploring Halacha, education and personal relationships is being presented by Emunah Women on Wednesday, May 17, with panelists **Rabbi Yitzchak Feigenbaum, Dr. Gerrard Klein** and **Elaine Rubinoff**.

It takes place at 8 p.m. at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave. The public is invited. There is no admission charge and refreshments will be served.

FOOD CHOICES & YOUR HEALTH

Learn how your food choices affect your health, happiness and the future of life on earth when **John Robbins**, author of the bestselling Diet for a New America, speaks on the subject on Wednesday, May 17, at 7.30 p.m. at Castle Frank High School, 711 Bloor St. E.

For more information, call the Canadian Natural Hygiene Society at 781-0359.

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of individual lectures exploring the wit and wisdom of Judaism, geared to young professionals 25-45 years of age, continues on Wednesday, May 17, with Ms-Conceptions of the Jewish Woman with guest lecturer **Sherri Wise.**

Lectures take place at Aish HaTorah, 296A Wilson Ave., at 8 p.m. For further information, call 636-7530.

COMMUNITY SYMPOSIUM

Confusion, Chaos, Reality: Glasnost and Perestroika — Where We Are and Where We're Going is the subject of a community symposium sponsored by the committee for Soviet Jewry of Holy Blossom Temple on Wednesday, May 17, at 8 p.m. at the temple, 1950 Bathurst St.

Speakers will be **Paul Klein**, a member of Canadian Jewish Congress; **Jordan Sarick,** Temple Emanu-El Youth, and **Donald Schwartz**, president, Jewish Immigrant Aid Services.

IN CONCERT

Concert pianist **Lola Julitta Burns** will appear at Baycrest Centre Posluns Auditorium on Wednesday, May 17, at 7.30 p.m. The program will feature Jewish, Hebrew and semi-classical music.

Thursday, May 18

AIDS IN THE JEWISH COMMUNITY

The social action committee of the National Council of Jewish Women, Toronto Section, invites the public to a frank panel discussion entitled AIDS in the Jewish Community. The featured speaker will be **Sandy Wise**, coordinator of the subcommittee on AIDS, Holy Blossom Temple.

This evening will take place on Thursday, May 18, at 7.30 p.m. at Council House, 4700 Bathurst St. (wheelchair accessible).

Refreshments will be served and babysitting will be available on request. Admission is $3.

For more information, call 633-5100.

EDUCATION IS IN!

Education Is In! Don't Be a Dropout! is an adult literacy program explaining to young adults what it is like to be an illiterate adult, what to do now to avoid future embarassment, and how the program operates for a learner or volunteer.

This takes place at York Woods Regional Public Library, 1785 Finch Ave. W., on Thursday, May 18, from 1.30-3 p.m. Please pre-register.

ONTARIO LUPUS ASSOCIATION

The Ontario Lupus Association Coping/Support Group Mississauga area meetings are held on the third Thursday of every month at 7.30 p.m. at Mississauga General Hospital, 100 Queensway W., Conference Room AB. The next meeting is scheduled for May 18.

CRISIS IN ETHIOPIAN JEWRY

Avi Bitew, an Israeli Ethiopian Jew, will be speaking on Crisis in Ethiopian Jewry — Four Years After Operation Moses on Thursday, May 18, at 8 p.m. at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, 1700 Bathurst St.

Admission is free. For information, call **Debbie Molot-Toker** at 782-2546.

And What Else Is New...

RABBINICAL ASSEMBLY LECTURES

The Rabbinical Assembly of Ontario is presenting a public lecture series delivered by **Rabbi Burton Visotzky**, associate professor of Midrash, Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

The lecture dates and topics are —

Friday, May 19 — Midrash: What Is It? with lecture and dinner at Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue.

Saturday, May 20 — Torah: God's Word or Not? at 7 p.m. at Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am.

Sunday, May 21 — Sinai Today: Revelation Continues at 9.30 a.m...Four Deaths in the Midrash: Moses at 8 p.m. at Beth Tikvah Synagogue.

Monday, May 22 — Four Deaths in the Midrash: Rabbi Akiba at 8 p.m. at Shaar Shalom Synagogue.

Tuesday, May 23 — Four Deaths in the Midrash: Elisha Ben Abuya at 8 p.m. at Adath Israel Synagogue.

Wednesday, May 24 — Four Deaths in the Midrash: The Sons of Rabbi Meir at 8 p.m. at Beth Tzedec Synagogue.

NCSY REGIONAL CONVENTION

The National Congress of Synagogue Youth (NCSY) is holding its regional convention during the Victoria Day weekend, May 19-22, at Camp Reena in Orangeville, Ont. Youth from throughout Ontario, Quebec and New Brunswick will be participating as well as advisors, rabbis and youth leaders from across Canada and the U.S.

The agenda will include regional election of officers for the 1989-90 term as well as an exciting education program on Shabbat. Participants will also take part in the UJA Walkathon.

Camp Reena's facilities offer an indoor gymnasium, lined courts and equipment for most active games, a recreational games lounge and a great outdoors for hiking.

TEL-AIDE:JEWISH DISTRESS LINE

Tel-Aide: the Jewish Distress Line volunteers are available to listen at 636-9610. All Tel-Aide listeners have taken an extensive training course and are well qualified to listen. Volunteers would be happy to spend time with you on the phone.

Listeners are available most days, evenings and Sundays. Tel-Aide is a call-in service only and is sponsored by the Toronto Jewish Congress.

SPEAK, READ, WRITE HEBREW!

The Keren Hatarbut Institute of Hebrew Studies, located at 788 Marlee Ave., announces that registration is now open for summer courses for adults and teenagers in conversational Hebrew for beginners, intermediate and advanced.

Courses run July 4-Aug. 22 and all classes are conducted under the guidance of skilled Israeli teachers. The promise is that beginners will speak, read and write Hebrew by Aug. 22.

For consultation and registration, call **Joseph Klinger** at 787-0197.

ENJOY YOURSELF!

Take note of these enjoyable and entertaining events Eglinton Chapter, B'nai B'rith Women is arranging —

A day at Woodbine Race Track on Thursday, May 25, with a scrumptious hot and cold buffet in the clubhouse and transportation both ways at $32 per person.

A matinee performance of **Neil Simon's** Broadway Bound at the Gryphon Theatre in Barrie on Thursday, July 6. The charge of $38 per person includes excellent orchestra seats, a gourmet lunch and homemade refreshments after the performance.

For details and reservations, contact **Hilde Ronson** at 226-0260 or **Mary Greenberg** at 781-0070.

PARENTING ADOPTED CHILDREN

Jewish Family & Child Service is offering a 4-week educational program to help parents of adopted children.

The topics may include adoptive versus biological — coping with the difference; patterns of communication between parents and children; adoptive parent identity; family relationships, and hopes and fears around adoption.

The course will run on four Thursdays, May 11-June 1, from 7.30-9 p.m. at the Lipa Green Building, 4600 Bathurst St. The fee is $40 per person. For information, call 638-7800, ext. 290.

BAYCREST VOLUNTEERS

Do you speak Yiddish, Russian, Hungarian, Romanian or Spanish? If so, Baycrest Centre needs your services as a volunteer with its unique translation services.

If you are interested, contact the volunteer department at 785-2850.

SHAAR SHALOM HEBREW SCHOOL

Shaar Shalom Hebrew School of the Conservative synagogue, affiliated with the Board of Jewish Education and United Synagogue of America, is now accepting registration for the coming school year of 1989-90 for children in junior kindergarten to grade 8.

The curriculum offers Hebrew, Bible, prayers, bar/bat mitzvah, holidays, music and Israeli folk dancing. Classes are conducted once, twice or three times a week, depending on the child's grade level. The principal is **Joseph Klinger**.

The school is centrally located at Zion Heights Junior High, 5900 Leslie St. (at Cummer). Assistance in carpool arrangements from anywhere is available.

For registration, call 731-1321 or 787-0197.

A SHABBAT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Twenty-five high school students attended the recent Shabbat of Scholarship, a pilot program coordinated by the National Congress of Synagogue Youth (NCSY). The president, 18-year-old **Leora Erez**, was responsible for organizing a highly successful Shabbaton.

The program included lectures and discussions by **Rabbi Moshe Avrik** (the Intifada); **Dr. Shmuel Spiegel** (Bio-Medical Ethics); Toronto youth activist **Moshe Ronen** (his recent visit to Israel and the World Jewry Leadership Conference); **Sherri Wise** (Woman's Role in Judaism), and **Rabbi Mordechai Smolarcik** (Yeshiva and Its Centrality in Jewish Life).

TASTE OF CANADA 89

Michael Kalmar (second from right), general manager of the Regal Constellation Hotel, is seen with members of the Israeli Student Culinary Team (from left) Avi Hamel, head chef Rafi Strauss, and Hana Pinsler as they prepared the seder meal in the hotel kitchen. The hotel hosted the Israeli students from April 19-27 when they were in Toronto to compete in Taste of Canada 89, an international student culinary competition held at the School of Hospitality of George Brown College.

NCSY plans to expand this program into a Yarchei Kallah for a larger number of students.

CAMPUS CONNECTION

The Jewish students of Seneca, Scarborough, Glendon and Ryerson invite you to join the final Bagel Brunch at each campus this week.

Seneca — Tuesday, May 16, at 11.40 a.m. at the portables.

Scarborough — Wednesday, May 17, at 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Meeting Place.

Glendon — Thursday, May 18, at 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the GSCU

Ryerson — Friday, May 19, at 11.40 a.m. to 1.40 p.m. in the Club Room.

These programs are held under the auspices of the Jewish Community Centre. For information, call **Lysa Springer** at 636-1880, ext. 228.

CALLING ALL THOSE 55 AND OVER

Are you 55 and over and in need of a hobby? There are few hobbies more pleasant and satisfying than singing. So why not join a performing choir? The JCC Singers welcomes new voices. To read music is not a prerequisite.

The choir is now rehearsing for its spring and summer performances. It meets every Thursday from 9.30-11 a.m. in Room 221 of the Jewish Community Centre north branch, 4588 Bathurst St. Join and share the fun of being on stage.

To book the choir and for further information, phone the president **Dolly Brown** at 636-9468.

COMMIT TO GET FIT

Commit to get fit and help improve your odds against heart disease and stroke, Canada's number one killer.

Between now and May 30, drop by any Sports Clubs of Canada location (Dunfield Club, Bloor Park Club, Bloor Valley Club, Parkview Club or Northridge Club) for your free fitness evaluation and program (with absolutely no obligation to join) and the Sports Clubs of Canada will donate $2 on your behalf to the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario.

YIDDISH & HEBREW VOLUNTEERS

Yiddish and Hebrew volunteer visitors are needed.

As a special language volunteer visitor you will be providing companionship to a senior, who, because of inability to communicate in English has become more isolated and lonely.

By visiting a senior in his or hew own home for one hour a week, you will be providing a much needed service.

If you speak Yiddish or Hebrew and would like to provide friendship to a senior, please contact **Arnold Foss** at Senior Care/Community Services to Jewish Elderly at 635-2860.

COUNTRY BARN SALE

There's something new on the Toronto scene — a country barn sale filled with collectibles and delectables presented by The Toronto Symphony Women's Committee.

At Leaside Memorial Gardens (Millwood and Laird Dr.) on May 13 you'll find such goodies as crafts, fashions, furs, plants, books, children's and teen's boutiques, bakesale, live music and free parking. Doors are open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is $1, children under 12 free.

RELIGION & INTELLECTUAL LIFE

The Association for Religion and Intellectual Life (ARIL) is holding its 6th annual consultation June 4-7 at Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island.

The theme of this 3-day gathering, A Faith That Works, will include presentations by **Arthur Waskow** of the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College in Pennsylvania.

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For further information, call **David Ames** or **Cindy Miller** at (401) 863-2956.

SUMMER ART CAMP 89

A wide variety of activities and creative fun awaits students at the McMichael Canadian Art Collection this summer.

Summar Art Camp 89, for students 8-15 years of age, is led by professional artists and combines both in-studio and on-the-grounds instruction at the McMichael Gallery in Kleinberg.

Four camps are offered, each focusing on a different art media: watercolors, drawing, acrylics and printmaking.

For registration and more information, contact **Laura Arseneau**, camp coordinator, at (416) 893-1121, ext. 219.

ISRAEL TOUR

The Men's Service Group of Baycrest Centre is arranging a tour to Israel Nov. 15-27.

The cost of $1995 Canadian per person double occupancy (price may change due to change in airfare or currency fluctuation) includes return flight from Toronto, Israeli breakfasts daily, some dinners, sightseeing, transfers, entrance fees, welcome kit on arrival, provision of partial tax-deductible receipt for Baycrest Donation/Honor Roll recognition, and much more.

The group leaders are **David Mendelsohn**, president elect, MSG, (488-8393 evenings) and **Noreen Azoulay**, Honor Roll director, MSG (789-7071, ext. 2003, days).

ANTIQUES FAIR

The 20th annual Antiques Fair of the Canadian Antique Dealers Association, taking place at North St. Lawrence Market, gets off to a start on Tuesday May 16, with a preview evening and refreshments, from 8-10.30 p.m. Tickets for this evening are $40 and are available by calling 222-0666.

The fair continues on Wednesday, May 17, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Thursday, May 18, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tickets for both these days are $8 at the door and include a series of lectures at the fair site.

SPRING CONFERENCE 1989

Spring Conference 1989 of Ontario Branch, Women's League for Conservative Judaism, is set for Wednesday and Thursday, May 17 and 18. The theme is One Heart, One Purpose, and the keynote address will be delivered by **Penny Liefer**, national consultant and national treasurer.

Penny Liefer

The conference is hosted by Beth Tikvah Sisterhood, and runs 5-10 p.m. on Wednesday and 8.30 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. on Thursday. Beth Tikvah is located at 3080 Bayview Ave.

For information, call **Sheila Shvilly**, Branch conference chairman, at 635-5956.

at the jcc

Learn to take the right steps and make all the right moves! The Jewish Community Centre is offering two short 6-week courses in Ballroom Dancing — social dancing, and international ballroom and Latin dancing. For details, call 636-1880, ext. 261.

Summer camp registration has begun at the Bloor Y. To register children 5-10 years of age, call **Beverly Brock** at 924-6211.

Space is still available for interested and enthusiastic staff counsellors for Summer Fun camp (children 5-10 years) at the Bloor Y. Call **Beverly Brock** at 924-6211.

for seniors

Seniors will have the opportunity to talk about their experiences with home support programs at the public forum sponsored by **The Association of Jewish Seniors** on Thursday, May 25. The topic will be Are Community Support Services Meeting the Needs of Seniors? with speakers **Lieutenant-Governor Lincoln Alexander, Mavis Wilson**, minister of seniors' affairs, and **Dr. Les Richmond**, director, Senior Care. It takes place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, 1700 Bathurst St. The cost is $12 and includes lunch and afternoon entertainment with **Marvin Rosenscheim**. Registration is required. Call 635-2860 for tickets and more information.

Bloor Y Seniors activities this week include Monday, May 15, knitting at 10 a.m. and bridge at 1 p.m.; Tuesday, May 16, fitness at 12.30 p.m. and current events discussion at 2 p.m.; Wednesday, May 17, musical singalong at 1.30 p.m., and Thursday, May 18, fitness at 12.30 p.m. and a talk by **Nancy Summers** of the Canadian Hearing Institute at 2 p.m. The Bloor Y branch of the Jewish Community Centre is located at 750 Spadina Ave. For information, call **Beverly Brock** at 924-6211.

Senior Adult Services of the Jewish Community Centre Learning Experiences program is presenting a talk on the TTC and Senior Services with speaker **Bill Marsh** from the Toronto Transit Commission on Tuesday, May 16, at 1 p.m. in the Senior Lounge of the JCC, 4588 Bathurst St. Refreshments will be served. The charge is 25¢ members, 50¢ non-members. For information, contact **Teme Kernerman** at 636-1880.

At the Tuesday, May 16, meeting of the **Beth Tzedec Friendship Club Plus 50**, guest speaker **Aaron Nussbaum** will be discussing The Aleppo Kodex — The Mysterious Odyssey of a Torah. The time is 1.30 p.m. Coffee and cake will be served. The charge is $1.50.

Canadian Israeli Club Aluma for Israelis and Hebrew speaking persons 55 and over meets on Wednesday evenings from 7.30-9.30 at the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave. The program on May 17 will feature a concert with **Rachaeli**. For information, call **Avraham Leibovich** at 633-2630 or **Avner Meiri** at 667-0808 (after 6 p.m.).

Due to the resignation of president **Shirley Grotell**, there will be no further meetings of the **Workmen's Circle Social Club** until someone else takes over the presidency. However, Mrs. Grotell will still be on hand to try to help obtain more space for various activities. For information, contact her at 222-7727.

Central Park Lodge, 303 Queen's Rd. (Lawrence and Jane), is presenting Take Charge of Your Life, a dynamic series on gaining piece of mind and better health with speaker **Leonard Rubenstein**. The dates are May 11, 18 and 25 and the time is 7.30 p.m.

A full program of activities has been planned by the **LZA Seniors Club** for the next few months. First, there are several trips coming up — a deluxe tour to Ottawa June 13-14, a 5-star luxury trip to the Catskills (8 days and 7 nights) in July, a trip to Muskoka in August including a lake cruise, lunch on the boat and a stage show at the Gravenhurst Opera House...Bingo under the chairmanship of **Shlomo Goren** will be held every second Wednesday from 1.30-4 p.m. and **Mrs. Shlomo Mitzmacher** promises a movie every second week...All of these special events will be going along with shuffleboard every Tuesday and Thursday evening, cards, socials and entertainment daily from noon to 4 p.m. with light lunches available. All activities take place at the Borochov Centre, 272 Codsell Ave. For details, call 633-8579.

Earl Bales Seniors' Club — On Thursday, May 11, at noon there will be elections for board of directors plus refreshments and entertainment. This meeting is for members only...Ongoing activities taking place at the community centre (in the park at Bathurst and Sheppard) include shuffleboard on Monday and Wednesday mornings and tai chi on Mondays from 10-11 a.m...And at the club house there is bridge on Mondays, 1-3.30 p.m.; ballroom and line dancing on Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to noon; art class on Tuesdays, 1-3.30 p.m.; fitness on Wednesdays 10-11 a.m.; bingo to be announced...For further information about all activities, contact **Jeanette** at 636-7856.

Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club, 470 Glencairn Ave., reports that the Catskill trip to the Homowack Hotel in July is just about complete but reservations are still being taken. Also a trip to Israel is planned for early November...Ongoing activities include Tai Chi on Mondays, 10 a.m.; dancersize on Tuesdays, 10 a.m., and oil painting together with lectures on color therapy on Wednesdays, 1 p.m...For information about all activities, call **Lena** at 785-5773 or **Ruth** at 224-5923.

Downsview Services to Seniors located at Northwood Community Centre, 15 Clubhouse Ct., offers numerous recreational and educational programs throughout the month...Also, the Stroke Group, a rehabilitation group for people who have suffered a stroke, gets together every Monday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for exercise, socialization and support...Free hearing testing by hearing aid specialist **Mark Santeramo** will be held Thursday, May 18, 10 a.m. to noon. Call 633-9519 for an appointment and also for information about all activities.

Senior Sinai's Golden Book is still ongoing. Make your donation with **Frances Malkin** at 226-3252 or **Ida Himmelstein** at 630-3862 between 7 and 9 p.m.

At the **Wagman Centre**, 55 Ameer Ave., — The Wellness Education Group is presenting Why Does Everyone Mumble? with **Nancy Latowsky**, counsellor for the Community Outreach to Hearing Impaired Senior's Program, The Canadian Hearing Society, on Wednesday, May 17, from 1.30-2.30 p.m. in the Assembly Room. There is no admission charge but to ensure seating register at the Wagman Centre office, 789-5131, ext. 2267, by May 16...Jewish Ethics and Philosophy rabbi's lecture series continues on Tuesday, May 16, with **Rabbi Amram Assayag** of Petah Tikva Anshe Castilla speaking on The Functions of the Rabbinical Council of Orthodox Rabbis. The time is 2.30-3.30 p.m. in Rooms A and B...Meet the Author **Erna Paris**, author of The Garden and the Gun: A Journey Inside Israel, on Thursday, May 25, in the Fireside Lounge. It begins with coffee and muffin at 10 a.m. followed by the presentation at 10.30. Admission is only $1. Register at the office no later than Monday, May 22...A summer outing to the Shaw Festival at Niagara-on-the Lake to see Once in a Lifetime is scheduled for Wednesday, May 31, from 9.30 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. The cost of $38 members, $40 non-members, includes transportation. Register with payment at the office as soon as possible. For information, contact **Todd Sweet** at 789-5131, ext. 2274.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

You are invited by La'Briyut Wellness Centre and the North York Public Health Department to a Dental Health Presentation by **Barbara Siegel**, a dental health educator from the department, on Thursday, May 18, at 1.30 p.m. Admission is free.

A reminder to make your appointment for the free dental program sponsored by the North York Public Health Department. A dentist and dental assistant will be at the Centre every weekday for three weeks, May 29-June 16. Call **Shari** or **Sandra** at the Wellness Centre, 225-2112.

The Lifelong Learning Institute's series, Mostly Music: From Cantors to the Catskills with **Michael Wex**, concludes on Monday, May 15, from 1-2.30 p.m.

MALEVEH MALKA

At Colel Chabad's 5th annual maleveh malka held at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Rappaport received an award for their longtime friendship and support of the organization, a charitable foundation established in Jerusalem in 1988. Making the presentation is Rabbi Shalom Duchman (left), an executive director of Colel Chabad in New York. [Stephen Epstein photo]

ROTMANS HONORED

Toronto real estate entrepreneur Sam Rotman and his wife Mollie were honored by the board of directors of Yeshiva University's Stern College for Women at a dinner in Manhattan which raised more than $500,000. Karen Bacon (left), dean of Stern College, presented the Rotmans with the Heritage Award in recognition of their "outstanding philanthropy and enduring devotion to the propagation of Jewish learning." To mark the college's 35th anniversary, 35 distinguished alumnae were also saluted, including Mrs. Rotman's daughter, Adele Brody of New York, a member of the Stern College board.

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ISRAEL'S MINISTER OF ECONOMY

Yitzhak Modai, Israel's minister of economy and a senior member of the Israeli cabinet, will be the guest speaker at the forthcoming dinner honoring **Rabbi Yitzhak Witty**, sponsored by the Canadian Friends of Yeshivot Hesder.

Yitzchak Modai

Modai is a strong supporter of the Yeshivot Hesder program, where students fulfil the double obligation of studying Torah and at the same time serving in Israel's Defence Forces.

The dinner is being held at Beth Avraham Yoseph Synagogue, Thornhill, on Sunday, May 21. For more information, call 630-7575.

CCCJ HONOREES

Lieutenant-Governor Lincoln Alexander, George Cohon and **Johnny Lombardi** will be honored by the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews at the organization's annual awards banquet this Monday, May 15.

The banquet will take place in the Canadian Room of the Royal York Hotel.

A CORRECTION

Elli Davis, billed as top-selling real estate agent in Canada (April 19 column) is in fact, top-selling agent in Canada for Royal LePage. Sorry about the mistake.

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Organizations and People

About People

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WHO'S WHO

A Thornhill student leader at Yeshiva University in New York City has been selected for the 1989 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

Jason Ohayon, son of **Marcel and Mimi Ohayon** was selected based on his academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential continued success.

The 21-year-old senior biology major is secretary of the student council at the university's Isaac Breuer College of Hebraic Studies and also president of the Sephardic Club at Yeshiva College.

NETIVOT HATORAH APPOINTMENT

Shauna Tepperman, president of Netivot HaTorah Day School, has announced the appointment of **Elaine Rubinoff** as vice-principal of the school.

Elaine Rubinoff

Mrs. Rubinoff's duties will include general studies curriculum, workshops and the implementation of a special education program. This program will not only include remediation but enrichment as well.

Mrs. Rubinoff, who has a BA and MA in special education from Brooklyn College in New York, most recently served as principal of She'arim Hebrew Day School and comes to Netivot with many years of experience.

VISITING PROFESSOR

Prof. Jack London of Winnipeg is visiting professor of Canadian Studies at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem during the month of May.

Prof. Jack London

Currently counsel to the Winnipeg law firm of Buchwald, Asper, Henteleff, he will lecture on Canadian politics, human rights, the Diaspora's relationship with Israel and tax reform.

Prof. London is accompanied by his wife **Belva** and daughter **Lara** and **Rebecca**.

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On Sunday May 21st, 1989, **Lishar Productions** presents a party at **Berlin...a nightclub** at 2335 Yonge St. (1 block North of Eglinton). Doors open at 7:30 p.m. Tickets $8. For more information call 783-6261.

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Kashruth Council of TJC

Spring cooking classes offered

TORONTO —

The Kashruth Council of the Toronto Jewish Congress will present cooking classes this month at the Shaarei Tefillah Congregation, 3600 Bathurst St., at Neptune.

The spring classes will be given by Vivian Anhang, a teacher and graduate home economist who has had many years of experience in presenting food-related programs.

Vivian Anhang

On Tuesday evening, May 16, there will be the second of a 2-class series (course number V4), Entertainment Plus — Yeast and Pastry Dough).

These classes will include Danish pastry, whole wheat batter bread, rolls, pie pastry dough for a variety of pies including, lattice top pies, 2-crust pies, crumb crust toppings, tartlets and other specialties.

On Tuesday, May 30, there will be a 1-session Gourmet Cooking Made Easy (course number V2), which is a repeat of the full-to-capacity course presented in the fall.

This session is for both the novice as well as the seasoned cook and will include, stuffed and glazed Cornish hens, Chinese roll with puff pastry, split pea and barley soup, Dutch apple cake and some additional gourmet demonstrations including hors d'oeuvres. The fee for this class is $15 per person.

The COR classes are limited in enrollment and registration is treated on a first-come, first-serve basis.

To register for either series, call the Kashruth Council-Orthodox Division, Toronto Jewish Congress, (416) 635-9550, or write to 4600 Bathurst St., Suite 240, Willowdale, Ont. M2R 3V2.

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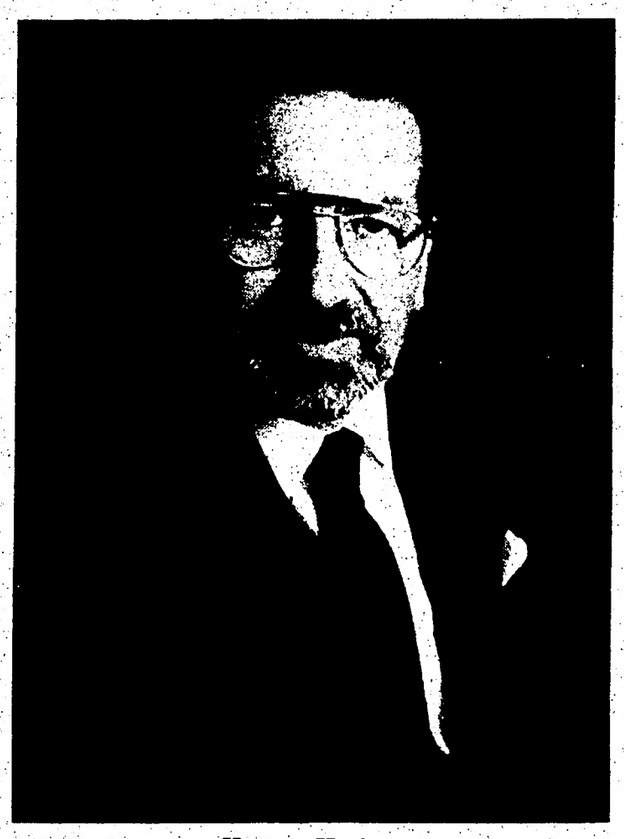
Jerry Borins has recently been re-elected to the Board of Directors of the Metro Toronto Convention Association as well as the Hotel Association of Metro Toronto. Abi Gezundt!

Organizations and People

Son sparked Hecker interest with Aish

By
PHIL FINE



Harvey Hecker

TORONTO —
Harvey Hecker has learned that the child is indeed father of the man.

Hecker, whose name is synonymous with Aish HaTorah Toronto, can thank his son Joel for not only dispelling doubts about the worldwide Jewish outreach organization but for also bringing him closer to Yiddishkeit.

For it was Joel's decision to study at Aish's Jerusalem yeshiva which not only spurred Harvey to put Aish Toronto on a firm financial footing but which also led him to kasher his home, begin to keep Shabbat and become an eloquent spokesman for Aish itself.

Indeed, Harvey, a chartered accountant and former chairman of the mega-firm of Laventhol and Horwath, would become president of Aish Toronto.

To recognize Harvey's contributions, a tribute dinner is being held May 28 at Toronto's Sheraton Centre. Keynote speaker is Jeane Kirkpatrick, former United States ambassador to the United Nations. Reb Noah Weinberg, founder of Aish and dean of its Jerusalem yeshiva, is also expected to attend.

There was decidedly little fanfare in 1982 when Joel, then 22 and newly minted from the University of Toronto, announced his intentions. Harvey, in fact, was shocked.

"My first reaction was that he was interrupting (or possibly discontinuing) the educational program that could lead to an 'establishment career'," Harvey recalls.

"How was he going to earn a living? How was he going to get married and support a family?"

So concerned was Harvey that he and his wife Sheila went to Jerusalem in February, 1983 to check Aish out. What they found laid their fears to rest.

The Yeshiva bochrim weren't misfits but bright, competent young men. Lectures weren't pedantic but surprisingly worldly. And Reb Noah himself proved an inspiring speaker.

"As a single human being, you can make a difference," he told Harvey who was increasingly thinking he wanted to do something for Aish.

Accordingly, after returning to Toronto, he invited 20 friends to a fundraiser in his York Mills home. He told them what he had seen and how Aish was bringing Jews back to Yiddishkeit. But when pledge time rolled around, nobody moved.

That's when businessman Gerry Shear spoke up.

"You can't raise money in Toronto on an ad hoc basis," he told Harvey. "You need a structure."

So one was put together then and there. Aish, which had set up its Toronto shop in 1980, was given a revamped board of directors. Harvey himself volunteered to be treasurer. But Phil Schwartz, who was present, thought the position inappropriate.

"You called this meeting," he told Harvey. "You've got to be president." So Harvey took the top job, a position he still holds.

Since then, Aish has never looked back. In that first year of Harvey's presidency, Aish raised $229,000 — $76,000 more than in 1982.

Other figures are equally impressive. There were six staff members when Harvey came on board; there are 18 today. There were 85 regular students six years ago; there are 700 today. All told, over 10,000 people in Toronto alone have attended an Aish class.

The numbers don't surprise Harvey. Aish's courses and faculty are outstanding, he says, and its atmosphere is inviting. Moreover, no one is pressured to take up Orthodoxy. In fact, only 5% of all Aish students have become observant.

One of those is Harvey himself. Long a member of Toronto's Temple Emanu-El, he and Sheila joined Kehillat Shaarei Torah, a frum synagogue, in 1987. They now walk to shul.

They also keep kosher — a formidable feat, perhaps, considering their far-flung travels. But it hasn't been a problem.

"We spent four months in 86 travelling around the world," says Harvey. "We had no difficulty watching what we ate — none whatsoever."

What has given them trouble has been Aish's split personality. Although its rabbonim are frum, Aish is an educational institution, not an Orthodox organization, Harvey emphasizes. Yet, critics persist in calling it one, citing Orthodoxy as grounds for not contributing money.

Others, Harvey says, lump Aish in with those who support Who is a Jew legislation even though Reb Noah himself opposes it. Still others think Aish's Jerusalem bochrim should serve in the army.

Harvey reminds the critics that 75% to 80% of Aish's students spend only one to two months in Jerusalem. The few who do stay on for a few years to get smicha do so with the intention of taking up Aish assignments outside Israel.

That those postings are important, Harvey has no doubt. Diaspora Jewry, he says, is under siege — not from its traditional enemies but from assimilation. After all, he notes with a wry smile, Gentiles are now nice.

It's this, he says, which makes it so hard to convince Jews their very survival is at stake. Many will only take up the cudgels when there's an outbreak of anti-semitism or a combined Arab attack on Israel.

"Failing that," he observes, "the community slips into a sort of lassitude where it's comfortable being accepted by the rest of the public."

Fortunately, some people feel uncomfortable. In fact, the majority of Aish's Toronto funding comes from non-observant Jews although more and more donors are frum.

That Aish must compete with other Jewish organizations for a piece of the pie bothers Harvey not one whit. Torontonians, he says, can give much more; they have not yet reached their "threshold of pain."

But there's another reason, he says, why people should give to Aish: if there are no Jews around, there won't be any Jewish charities.

Although a telling argument, the changes in Harvey and his son make a good selling point too. Joel, who was only lukewarm on Yiddishkeit before going to Jerusalem, will soon get smicha from Yeshiva University. And, Harvey, who stayed away from shul for 20 years, now studies twice weekly with an Aish rabbi.

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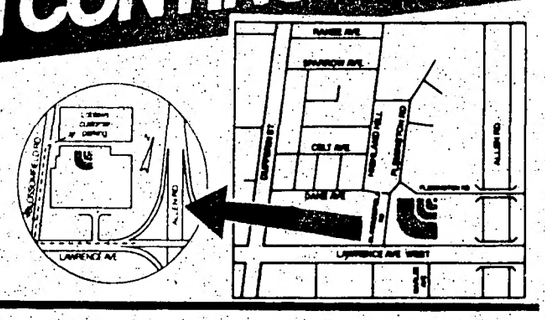

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"Dry bones" message cited

Holocaust service told of rebirth

By
CYNTHIA GASNER

Sabina Citron (left), discusses the Holocaust display at the Yom Hashoa service with Helen Smolack, chairman of the Canadian Holocaust Remembrance Association and Rabbi Avraham Feder.

TORONTO —

As the voices of Kol Nashim chanted the haunting Ani Maamin, survivors and their families lit yartzeit candles for the 6 million victims of the Holocaust at a Yom Hashoa service held at Pride of Israel Synagogue on the 46th anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto uprising, sponsored by the Canadian Holocaust Remembrance Association.

With a scriptural reading from Ezekiel 37 — the parable of the dry bones and its prophetic message of Israel's rebirth — Rabbi Harold Lerner, the spiritual leader of the Pride of Israel Synagogue, opened the sombre service.

More than 600 people, many survivors, rose as Cantor Charles Weinberg chanted El Maaleh Rachamim, followed by Kaddish.

The memorial candles, which were lit by three generations of the survivors' families, were placed on black pillars resembling chopped down trees with yellow Stars of David.

Sabina Citron, an Auschwitz and Bergen Belsen survivor and the co-founder of the CHRA, spoke on The Jewish People — Eternal Scapegoats?

A fighter for human rights and activist for Jewish causes, Citron presented a comprehensive historical perspective of the plight of Jews and their isolation as the world turns a blind eye on their plight.

"It is time we learned from history," she said. "If Israel had existed, there could not have been a Holocaust." Focusing on the propaganda war against Israel, she cautioned that we are still ignoring events that signify danger. "We must stop pretending it is not happening."

Israel and the Jewish people are facing the greatest challenge since the Holocaust, she noted. With optimism she added, we must stop seeing ourselves as scapegoats — we must not despair, for Israel is much stronger than ever before and we have learned how to survive the pressures.

Rabbi Avraham Feder, rabbi emeritus of Beth Tikvah Synagogue, who made aliya several years ago where he founded MAOR, the Foundation for Unity and Diversity in Jewish Life, also spoke. He referred to Ezekiel and his initial lack of faith in G-d's vision of the dry bones coming alive with flesh and spirit and rising as the House of Israel to return to its land.

He criticized our generation for its lack of faith "particularly this generation which is witness to the beginning of the second 40 year period in the birth and growth of an Israel — proud and sovereign."

Speaking of those who refer to Israel as a "problem" he said: "It is not a problem — it continues to be, thank G-d, a liberating challenge for the Jewish people — come alive again. Israel is alive and we live to the extent that we wed ourselves to the life force that is Israel."

The rabbi emphasized that "we must look at life in the real world — and Israel's joyous normalcy — appreciating that sovereignty over one's own culture in all aspects, lends not only respect but joyousness to every normal dimension of daily human life."

One of the other elements of Israel's rebirth, added the rabbi, is "never losing our spiritual and moral aspirations for ourselves, the Israelis, for World Jewry, and for mankind."

Feder urge Jews to rededicate their broken hearts to the challenge of ensuring the rebirth, the growth and vitality of Israel. "We Jews who are left, have chosen to live and assume responsibility for restoring the flesh and spirit to the dry bones of the House of Israel."

He concluded that in meeting that challenge, unstintingly and personally, we truly lend meaning and redemptive purpose to the memory of our loved ones. "May their memory be truly a blessing for Israel."

Helen Smolack, the chairman of the CHRA, said that the Holocaust "the greatest calamity to have struck our people," represented the total loss of freedom and the rebirth of Israel represents "the restoration of freedom, the renewal of hope, and life."

Smolack, who along with Citron, initiated the prosecution and conviction of Ernst Zundel, one of the world's leading disseminators of Jew-hatred, said there is deja vu in the media's well-orchestrated propaganda against Israel.

"We cannot, we must not ignore the danger signals, of pretending, of vainly hoping they will go away by themselves."

She announced that an address given by Jeane Kirkpatrick, the former United States ambassador to the United Nations at a recent forum in Toronto, convened by CHRA and the Toronto Zionist Council, which focussed on the Propaganda War Against Israel, will be broadcast at 10 p.m., Wednesday, May 24, over Metro-wide cable television.

Also participating in the Holocaust observance program was Oren David, consul of Israel. Throughout the evening, those present, often wiping tears from their eyes, joined Kol Nashim as they sang Tsu Aintz Tzvai Drei, Zog Nit Keinmol, and Yerushalayim Shel Zahav.

Rudson heads Weizmann body

TORONTO —

Wayne Rudson is the new president of the Canadian Weizmann League, Toronto Chapter. He succeeds Peter Seligman.

The following executive committee will assist the new president: Lissie Sanders Strauss, vice-president; Neil Kendal, fund raising and treasurer; Susan Kendal, communications; Barbara Kerbel, programming; Shawn Dalgorf, membership.

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Three generations participate in last year's Baycrest Fun Run.

Baycrest set to hold 9th annual Fun Run

TORONTO —

More than 2,300 runners and walkers aged 3 to 90-plus will be grabbing their running shoes for the 9th annual Speedy-Baycrest Fun Run on Sunday, May 14 — Mother's Day.

The 5- and 10-km Runs, organized by Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care's Mens's Service Group, help raise funds in support of physical fitness and health maintenance programs for seniors at the Centre.

These programs are important for the maintenance and improvement of resident, patient and member fitness levels as well as enhancing an overall sense of well-being.

As well as supporting the many physical fitness and health maintenance programs of Baycrest Centre, the annual spring Run has proven a popular event attracting the whole family.

"It's going to be a very exciting event, with a carnival atmosphere complete with the music of a Calypso band, clowns and food for everyone," says Bruce Young, chairman of this year's organizing committee.

Organizers hope the entertainment and prizes will attract even more runners this year, helping reach the MSG's goal of $160,000. "We need lots of sponsored runners and corporate teams," adds Young. "And all runners who bring in $200 or more in sponsor monies will receive a special Fun Run sweatshirt."

Many residents of Baycrest Centre's Jewish Home for the Aged and Baycrest Terrace — including one team for competitors aged 80-89 and one for the over-90 set — will be participating.

One familiar face is that of 90-year-old Rose Nepom, a Terrace resident and Run veteran. "This will be the sixth year I'll walk the 5-km route," says the feisty participant, who raised more than $4,000 last year.

One first-time runner is Speedy Muffler King chief executive officer Fred Karp. In the past, his participation was limited to firing the starter's pistol. This year, Karp has agreed to join the festivities as a celebrity walker and has been actively canvassing for sponsors.

"I decided in the interests of fun and charity to risk my body in an attempt to complete the 5-km Run," the very fit 60-year-old jokes.

All competitors will receive a free T-shirt, snack-pack and certificate of participation as well as opportunities to win lucky draw prizes. Water and oranges will be available along both routes and a tag-a-bag services will be available for runners who wish to check their street clothes.

As well, students from the Sutherland-Chan School of Massage Therapy will be at the finish line to help soothe those tired muscles. Children's day care will also be available for the children of competitors.

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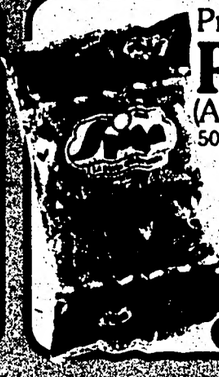
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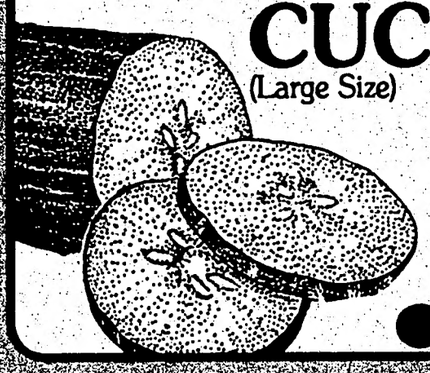
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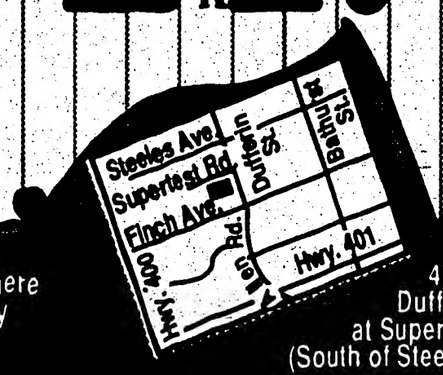

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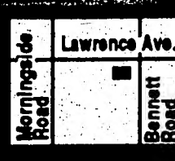

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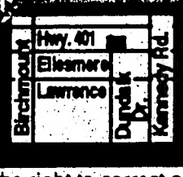

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Organizations and People

Winnipeg Negev Dinner to honor Zitzerman

By
MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —

The Jewish National Fund will honor Saul Zitzerman, one of its most active supporters and tireless workers, at its annual Negev Dinner here June 13.

Zitzerman has just completed a 3-year term as national president of the JNF in Canada. He was the first Western Canadian to hold that position as the organization is now constituted.

The former North End Winnipegger credits his grandmother with imbuing in him the spirit of community involvement. "She was always active on a low level collecting the blue boxes for example," he recalled. As well, his parents, Harry and Minnie, are still active in the community — his father in B'nai B'rith and the Combined Jewish Appeal and his mother through her volunteer work at the Sharon Home.

Zitzerman became active in the work of the JNF after a 1970 tour to Israel. He has been a board member since 1970 and a national board member since 1974. He served as Foundation chairman and president of the Manitoba-Saskatchewan Region in the late 1970s and early 1980s before moving on to the national stage.

It was Zitzerman and Avraham Kalman, the JNF shaliach in Winnipeg in the early 1980s, who created the Israel Quiz, with the help of David Wilder, now director of Winnipeg's Israel Bonds office, for the Jewish school system.

Jewish education has been Zitzerman's other major interest. He has been national vice-president, Canadian Friends of Bar-Ilan University (and is still the unofficial contact person in Winnipeg for the organization) and secretary of Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University (scholarship committee).

He has been a governor of Western Canada Hebrew Schools Association and president of the Talmud Torah-Joseph Wolinsky Collegiate board and is still chairman of the Talmud Torah Foundation.

His success as a builder of the community has been matched by his achievements as a lawyer and businessman. A former partner in the firm of Buchwald Asper Henteleff, he has also been president and CEO of the Imperial Group of Companies, an international real estate development company, and vice-chairman of Beacon Hill Lodge of Canada Ltd., a nursing home development company with over 1,000 beds.

Currently, he is vice-chairman of the Board of Cancorp Semiors Inc., a Winnipeg-based development company he co-founded with Sidney Spivak in 1986 which is building a network of highrises across North America for active seniors.

Saul Zitzerman

With Cancorp well established and his term as president of the JNF in Canada at an end, Zitzerman is planning to step back a bit. "I still plan to be active in a number of organizations, but it is time to ease off a little."

All the proceeds of the Negev Dinner, which will be held at the Winnipeg Convention Centre, are slated for Operation Re-Tree-Val to help replace the tens of thousands of trees destroyed in Israel by arsonists and to buy fire-fighting equipment.

Cham, Shenkarow head Winnipeg's CJA drive

By
MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —

Businessmen Archie Cham and Marvin Shenkarow have been named co-chairmen for the 1989 Combined Jewish Appeal campaign of the Winnipeg Jewish Community Council. Both have long been active in the community and come from old established Winnipeg families with solid records of community involvement.

Shenkarow is the son of Sam and Shirley Shenkarow and the grandson of the late Morris and Luba Neaman. Chief executive officer of the Sterling Stall Group and a member of the board of directors of the Winnipeg Jets Hockey Team, he has been involved in the CJA campaign for a number of years. He has been a category chairman and member of the CJA cabinet. He is a past board member of Ramah School and chaired the Winnipeg Hebrew Schools Lottery.

Cham's community work was, he says, inspired by the example of his late father, Alex Cham. The president of Quality Mattress Ltd., Cham has served on the boards of the Sharon Home, the YMHA, B'nai B'rith Camp and the Multiple Appeals Commission. He is currently vice-president of fund raising for the WJCC and a member of the investment committee of the Jewish Foundation and the newly created community facilities implementation committee.

Rita Margolis, who is chairing the Women's Division campaign, has been active in the CJA for the last 18 years. She has been active in the Jewish school system and the Rosh Pina Sisterhood and is a life member of both ORT and Hadassah-WIZO.

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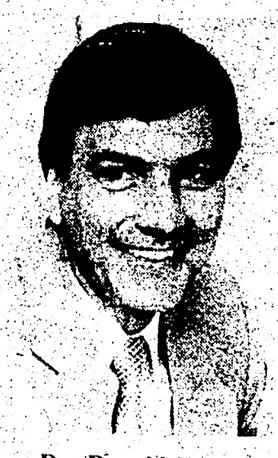
Windsor JNF to honor Ianni at June banquet

WINDSOR, Ont. —

The Jewish National Fund of Windsor will pay tribute to Dr. Ronald Ianni, president of the University of Windsor, at a Negev testimonial banquet on June 27, at the Shaar Hayshomayim Synagogue.

William Tepperman, president of JNF in Windsor, said, "Dr. Ianni deserves the Negev tribute award for his significant contributions in the development and well-being of the citizens of Windsor. He has strengthened every facet of the community with which he has been involved."



Dr. Ronald Ianni

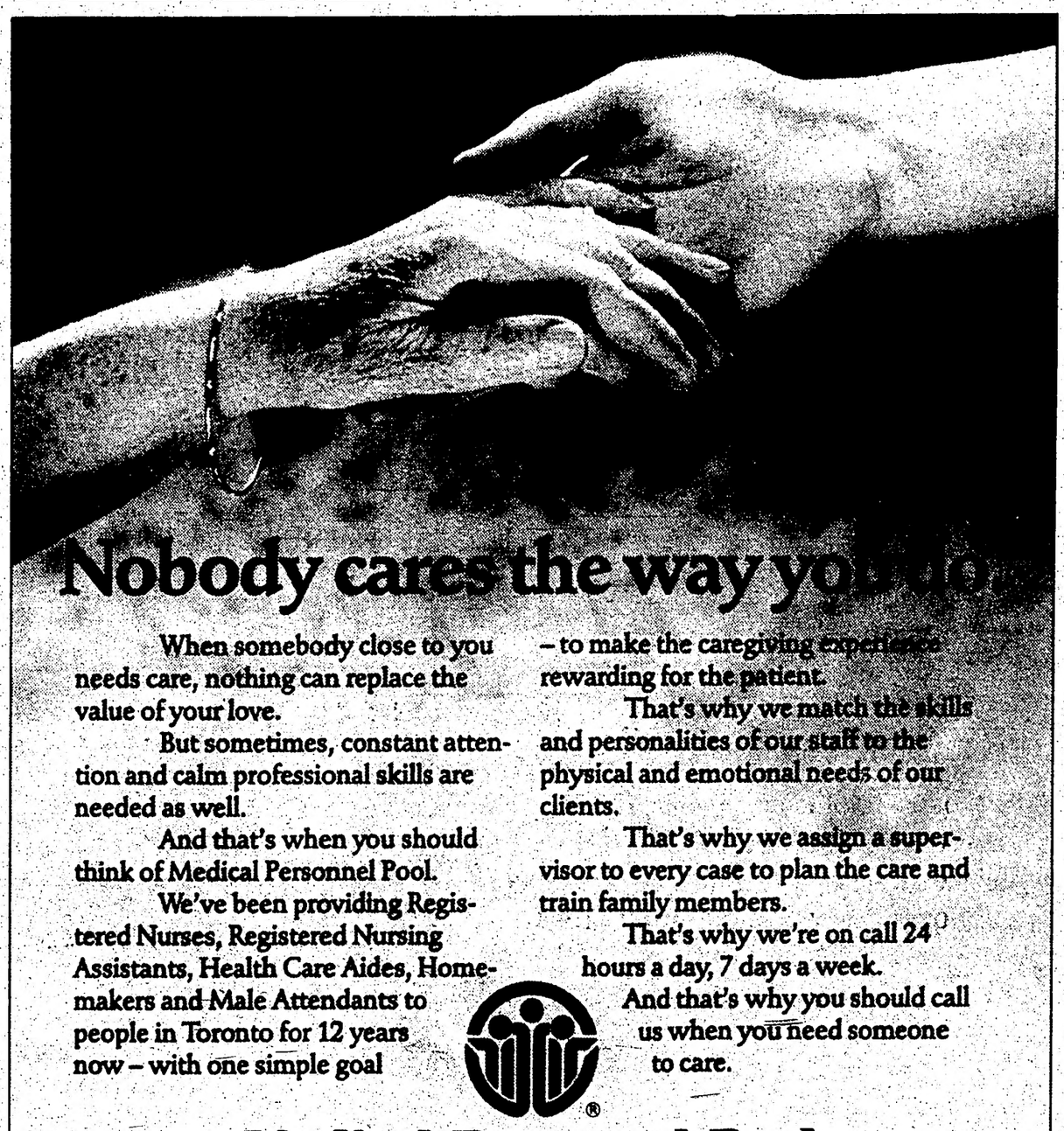
Ianni's biography is a testament to public service. He was so honored as a Member, Order of Canada, 1987; his community and cultural posts have included: President of the United Way of Windsor and Essex County; member of the Canadian Mission to the United Nations; chairman of the government Task Force on Mandatory Retirement; and, vice-president of the Canadian Civil Liberties Union.

The honoree is "a man of intelligence, vision and tolerance," stated Tepperman.

Funds generated through the Negev Dinner are earmarked for the establishment of a recreational park in the area of Nazareth and Capernum, near the Sea of Galilee.

The chairman of the dinner is Moe Closs, president of Chrysler of Canada; and the Campaign Chairman is Charles Clark, a prominent barrister and solicitor.

For further information, contact Sharon Kaplan at the Windsor JNF office (519) 969-8733 or Yehuda Danzig at the Toronto JNF office (416) 638-7200.



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Israel Consul-General Benjamin Abileah (left) and UN Ambassador Johanan Bein (right) present Sandor Kopacsi with Yad Vashem's Righteous Among the Nations Award. Looking on is Joel Dimitry, chairman of the Canadian Society for Yad Vashem. [Marie-Josee Crete photo]

Arafat's peace questioned

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

The world must not believe Yasser Arafat when he says he seeks a peaceful compromise in the Middle East, says Israel's ambassador to the United Nations.

Johanan Bein told over 1,500 people attending the recent commemoration of Yom Hashoa V'Hagvurah at Beth Tikvah Synagogue that the PLO chief "says he wants peace in English, but he says something entirely different in Arabic."

Bein, who was keynote speaker at the program, entitled From Generation to Generation, said Arafat, when he speaks to Arabs, says he wants "a peace like Saladin."

The phrase, Bein explained, refers to the 12th century Arab leader who made peace with the Christian Crusaders, then quickly turned on them, spelling the end of the Crusades.

It is a commonly used expression in Arabic and is widely accepted as a way of saying aggression against an enemy will continue despite public pronouncements to the contrary, Bein said.

At the UN, nations pressure Israel to negotiate with the PLO the same way France talked to Algerian rebels in the 50s and 60s, he said.

"The difference is that the Algerians recognized France's right to exist and they didn't want to establish their capital in Paris."

The evening was sponsored by the Canadian Society for Yad Vashem, United Synagogue of America (Ontario Region) and Beth Tikvah Synagogue.

The program's highlight was the presentation of a Yad Vashem Righteous Among the Nations Medal to Sandor Kopacsi, who was honored for having hidden seven Jews from the Nazis in a cellar of a farmhouse in Hungary.

Kopacsi, who immigrated to Toronto in 1975, said he was "pleasantly surprised and touched" at the award, and he received a rousing standing ovation.

Presenting the distinction to Kopacsi and posthumously to his parents, Jozsef and Ilona, was Benjamin Abileah, Israel's consul-general in Toronto.

Kopacsi later took part in a candle-lighting ceremony with Tibor Almasy of Toronto, who was conferred Righteous Among the Nations by Yad Vashem in 1987.

Six candles were lit, each kindled by and representing Holocaust survivors, children of survivors, children in memory of the 1.5 million children killed in the Shoah, partisans, Jewish war veterans and the Righteous Among the Nations.

Also delivering addresses were Rabbi Wayne Allen of Beth Tikvah Synagogue, Canadian Society for Yad Vashem Chairman Joel Dimitry and Sam Pasternack, Toronto Post Commander of the Jewish War Veterans of Canada.

Colors were presented by members of the Jewish War Veterans, while selected readings were delivered by Nathan Garnick, Henry Ramar and Vivien Reis.

A moving musical selection featured works arranged by Beth Tikvah composer-in-residence Srul Irving Glick and performed by the Beth Tikvah Choir. Cantor Ephraim Sapir of Beth Tikvah chanted El Maaleh Rachamim, while Cantor Louis Danto of Beth Emeth Synagogue sang the Partisans' Song, Zog Nit Kein Mol.

Immigration boss McDougall defends new refugee laws

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

TORONTO —

Canada's new legislation concerning refugees stands up to the test of fairness and sensitivity, says the federal minister of employment and immigration.

"This legislation provides necessary protection for genuine refugees as well as curbing abuse of the system," said Barbara McDougall.

McDougall recently presented a "report card" on the 3-month-old legislation to members of the Holy Blossom Temple Brotherhood at their weekly breakfast meeting.

She said that the 3,343 refugee claims made in the first quarter of 1989 are a significant reduction over the same period last year. "With the new two part screening process those whose claims are manifestly unfounded are screened out immediately."

McDougall said that those with criminal records, fugitives from justice or those who prove to be a security risk are now deported within days. In the old system they were able to stay an indefinite period of time until their claim was heard. "This is a deterrent for those whose refugee claims are frivolous," she said.

McDougall added that at the same time genuine refugees are able to proceed with the second stage of their claim, a hearing with the immigration and refugee board, within nine weeks.

She told the group that Canada is always prepared to help Jews who live in countries such as Syria where the Jewish community is in jeopardy. "We follow these situations closely and treat all exit requests promptly."

McDougall thanked Canada's Jewish community for sponsoring refugees. "You have played a vital role in helping refugees build new lives and have set a marvelous example with respect to Soviet Jews."

She added that "Canada has done more for refugees than any country of comparable size."

McDougall said, however, that Canada must recognize the fact that we cannot solve the refugee problem ourselves. "It is a global problem and all industrialized countries must do their part."

She said that the quest for human justice and freedom is essential. "I am cautiously optimistic about our new system and I am determined to maintain Canada's humanitarian position with regards to refugees."

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Decries media double standard toward Israel

McMurtry praises Jewish contribution

By
LEILA SPEISMAN

Roy McMurtry

TORONTO —
Jews have contributed greatly to the Canadian fabric out of proportion to their numbers, says Roy McMurtry, former Ontario Attorney-General and High Commissioner to Great Britain.

He told the over 300 people at the annual Rosalynd Smith Memorial Lecture at Adath Israel Congregation that although Jews comprise less than 2% of the population, they have played a significantly larger part in the political, business and arts life of the country.

"You understand the virulence and violence of prejudice and discrimination. Not only have you fought here for your own rights, but you have been in the forefront of those lending hand and heart to those in need whatever their racial, religious or national makeup."

Any freedom-loving Canadian, he said, should share the Jewish commitment to Israel, which he called "the watchman in a sea of tyranny ... a remarkable democracy that is a thorn in the side of tyranny."

He decried the double standard of the media towards Israel. Israel's capacity for self-criticism and toleration of dissent is simply not credited, he charged.

McMurtry's "lowest moment as a Canadian in England" came when he learned of the Toronto Star editorial questioning Jews' loyalty to Canada.

He said that that editorial "illustrates the potential for insensitivity in major Canadian institutions."

Commenting jokingly that after losing a Conservative Party leadership race he was given a job by the Prime Minister "provided he left the country," McMurtry spoke about seeing Canada from a foreign perspective.

Canada, he said, is seen "as a nation favored under G-d." Canadians are credited with creating a well-respected society characterized by compassion, civility and tolerance, he said.

Although cynics may say Canada is well-respected because we don't pose any kind of threat to anyone, McMurtry believes that it is because we "give wise, balanced, moderate counsel in times of peace and show courage in time of conflict."

While suggesting that Canadians should be very proud of what they have accomplished as a nation, he warned about complacency.

"Canada's national sport tends to be beating up on each other," with endless conflicts between regions, provinces and languages, said McMurtry, now a Toronto lawyer and chairman of the Canadian Football League.

Other countries, he said, are puzzled that, as opposed to what are major concerns of theirs, Canada's seem to consist of what province a smelter will be built in, and the number of shoes owned by the Prime Minister. "There is not a nation in the world that would not change their problems for ours.

In my darker moments, I thought that it may be no coincidence that (the game) Trivial Pursuit was invented in Canada."

McMurtry confessed himself saddened that "a prime victim of the government's attempt to reduce the deficit is foreign aid, while mega energy projects that don't even make sense to business people are not affected."

He urged Canadians not to lose their tradition of generosity and tolerance. "Our problems pale beside the problems of other countries."

He admitted that it is tempting to turn one's back on others in a time of personal challenge, but encouraged the audience to work for "the goals of the world, compassion, understanding and brotherhood."

The question period following ranged from the budget leak (which he suggested that the opposition were using for political advantage), the Young Offenders' Act, insisting many of the problems with it are related to poor decisions by presiding judges, and the international scene.

McMurtry described Canada's recognition of the PLO as merely an attempt by the government to bring its policies in line with its closest allies.

"You should not doubt the total and absolute commitment of (Prime Minister) Mulroney and (External Affairs Minister) Clark to Israel, even if you don't agree with them."

He admitted he was unaware of Canada's recent United Nations vote to censure Israel for its conduct in the territories.

McMurtry criticized the media for not giving the Israeli government a chance to properly explain its proposals for elecions in the territories.

McMurtry was introduced by Debbie Smith, daughter of the former Adath Israel congregant after whom the lecture series is named, and thanked by synagogue assistant rabbi Sheldon Korn. Synagogue senior rabbi Erwin Schild delivered a short eulogy about Rosalynd Smith.

The lecture, which is sponsored by Adath Israel Congregation, its Sisterhood and by Rosalynd Smith's family and friends, was introduced by committee chairman Marlene Levinsky.

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TORONTO —
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One increasingly used and highly respected reference tool for them is Otzar Haposkim, a project which, when completed, will be a directory to the 4,000 volumes of rabbinical responsa on halachic issues.

Otzar Haposkim was begun 45 years ago, said Henkin, who is now its assistant director, and has himself written several scholarly halachaic works. It was conceived and planned by Rabbi Isaac Halevi Herzog, the late chief rabbi of Israel, and Talmud scholar Rabbi Isser Zalman Metzler.

Otzar Haposkim, said Henkin, is used by all spectrums of the Jewish world, from the chief rabbinate of Israel to the Satmar chassidim. "It is the only thing on which the three American Orthodox rabbinic organizations, Agudas Harabonim, Rabbinical Alliance of America and the Rabbinic Council of America, have ever collaborated."

The basic tool is a million-strong card catalogue lining the walls of an office in Jerusalem. Scholars have so far researched and recorded all the responsa in nearly 90 per cent of the rabbinical works extant.

Otzar Haposkim has published the first 17 hard-cover volumes of what is expected to be a multi-volume compilation. Many of these have been published in honor of great scholars, such as the late Rabbi Joseph Ber Soleveitchick and Rabbi Moshe Feinstein.

Volume 18, curently being prepared for publication, will be dedicated by the Conference of European Rabbis to the memory of Rabbi Israel Brodie, former British Chief Rabbi.

Volumes published to date have dealt with various matters of family law. The thorny issue of get (Jewish divorce) will be discussed in future volumes, as will be the whole Shulchan Aruch, the standard reference work on Jewish law.

Just starting, Henkin said, is the computerization of all those million cards. "It will be plugged into the Talmud responsa computer program at the Israel Rabbinical College, and will be accessible by fax and computer."

Support comes from private and institutional sources, and by the Judaica Archive Project. The latter, Henkin said, is currently putting many rare rabbinical sources onto microfiche, which will make them accessible to many more scholars around the world.

The college donated rare editions of Judaic writing on microfiche to the new yeshiva which recently opened in Moscow (CJN March 30).

Henkin said that the project is not merely to help answer halachic questions. To him, it is a way of rescuing and disseminating the rich field of European Torah scholarship decimated by the Nazis.

"One of my dreams is to produce a digest of which rabbis came from which community, and what each of them taught."

As well, it is a "prime research tool for sociologists and historians — rabbinical rulings might be the only source of information about a community that is no longer there."

Israel deputy attorney general Rabbi Nachum Rackover, Henkin said, consults the relevant section of Otzar Haposkim whenever legislation is pending in the Knesset for the appropriate halachas, concerning, for instance, parole or the environment.

Henkin, who was in Toronto as a scholar-in-residence at Shaarei Shomayim Congregation, urged people to consider donating sets of Otzar Haposkim to yeshivas and kollels in North America and Israel ($450 U.S., including shipping), to consider helping financially with the reprinting of existing volumes and to help with the publication of the ongoing series.

Donations and orders can be sent c/o Dr. Hillel Henkin, 577 Grand St., New York, NY 10002. For more information, write Rabbi Yehuda Henkin, Otzar Haposkim, 3, Torah Mezion St., PO Box 5110, Jerusalem. — **L.S.**

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Organizations and People

Part of "more general failure to honor women"

Jewish mothers lack recognition: psychologist

TORONTO (JTA) —

Jewish mothers accused of playing martyrs are often just making a justified and misunderstood plea for appreciation and recognition that mothers rarely get, says a psychologist-feminist, and furthermore, "the failure to honor mothers is a part of Judaism's more general failure to honor women."

That view was expressed by Paula Caplan, professor of applied psychology at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, in an article in the January-February issue of *Reconstructionist* Magazine.

The article was based on a davar Torah, a Shabbat comment from the bimah, that Caplan delivered at her Toronto Reconstructionist congregation, Darchei Noam.

She recalled that as a child, her grandmother used to work herself to the point of exhaustion, "to feed us royally" on Rosh Hashanah and Passover, so that "the menfolk" could pray.

"We enjoyed her food," Caplan recounted, but "we did not particularly honor her. It is praying and doing paid work that tends to be honored . . . not mothering work."

She said that "the incredible value of what mothers do" in providing nourishing food, a pleasant environment and taking care of members of their families "is swiftly dismissed. And North American Jews are as guilty of this as others."

Women in Jewish tradition, Caplan noted, have been valued only as bearers of children — "a role that is not honored but simply expected."

Jews in all walks of life often look to mental health professionals, among whom Jews predominate, "as they used to look to Torah and the rabbis," Caplan said. However, she added, "that secular arena is just riddled with anti-women (and anti-mother) sentiments as traditional Judaism."

As evidence, she reported working with a student assistant on a project examining 125 articles from a variety of mental health journals. Professionals offered explanations, in those articles, for people's emotional problems.

She and the student assistant found that mothers "were blamed for 72 different kinds of problems. These ranged from arson to the inability to deal with color blindness, to homicidal transsexualism, to something called 'self-induced television epilepsy' in which a child apparently brings on his seizures by watching TV."

She said it did not matter whether the authors of these anti-mother judgments were psychoanalysts, family therapists or other types of mental health workers. "Sadly, the mother-blaming has not lessened with time and the influence of the women's movement."

Referring to the Fifth Commandment, Caplan asserted that Jews of both sexes "need to honor our mothers as well as our fathers."

When Jews fail to honor women, Caplan said, they fail to honor mothers, and in failing to honor mothers, they fail to honor all women.

She warned that men who cannot honor their mothers "will have trouble genuinely honoring the women they hope to love and the daughters they hope to have."

Despite the continuing mother-bashing, she declared, "there is hope. The light slowly begins to shine in the mental health professions."

Some women professionals, she reported, have cast a fresh light on mothers' "alleged emotional dependency and inability to separate from their children."

These professionals contend that such motherly behavior should be seen as based on "love of, and considerable skill at, being in relationships" with members of their families.

She said she has often declared that when such women say "Look at what I've sacrificed for you," it is often "a justified plea for the appreciation and recognition that mothers so rarely receive, except on Mother's Day."

Canadian sponsors brighten the lives of orphans in Israel

MONTREAL —

Little 9-year-old Hedva is an abandoned child. She's lived in an orphanage most of her life.

A bright spot in her life is the regular letters and packages she receives from the couple whose photo she keeps on her wall. They live in a far away place called Montreal, Canada, and she can only imagine where that is.

Her surrogate parents are Aida and Boaz Makovka, a St. Laurent couple that has sponsored Hedva for four years under a program of the Toronto-based Canadian Friends of Bayit Lepletot, the residence for orphaned and abandoned girls where Hedva lives and goes to school. The home in Jerusalem is run by three rabbis and today serves 250 children.

The Makovkas had not heard of the home until a visit to Israel four years ago. "We just knew we wanted to help a child in Israel," said Aida. (Boaz is a native Israeli who has lived in Montreal 19 years.) They have two children of their own: Ari, 18, and Aviva, 14.

They were directed to Bayit Lepletot and interviewed. Shortly after they were informed that Hedva would be their sponsored child.

The minimum contribution is $1,000 per year, and the Canadian Friends of Bayit Lepletot is recognized by the federal government as a charitable organization. The money is used for extras for the children, such as summer camp.

Other children have foreign sponsors as well, including Hedva's older sister whose sponsors are a family in England.

The relationship between the Makovkas and Hevda consists of regular correspondence (a social worker at the home translates), telephone calls, exchange of photos and sending packages of clothing and gifts at holidays and birthdays.

In addition, the New York office of Bayit Lepletot gives the Makovkas regular news about Hedva. They have been told that when Hedva is older she may visit the family in Montreal.

"Her letters are just like a child writes to her parents. She talks about schools, things that she's done, what's gone wrong.

"It's a tremendous feeling, you know that unfortunate child feels loved and wanted by a real family," Aida said of the sponsorship of the little girl.

Bayit Lepletot, which means Home for Refugees, was founded in 1950, when many Holocaust survivors immigrated to Israel. Its first residences were eight homeless refugee girls. Today, children are accepted from the age of 3, and remain at the home until they marry.

The children have been orphaned, lost one parent, abandoned or have parents who are physically or emotionally unable to care for them. The staff include housemothers, educators and counsellors.

At an affiliated project, Girls Town Jerusalem, residents receive academic and vocational training and use its playground and recreational facilities.

Because the Canadian Friends of Bayit Lepletot has no Montreal organization, Aida Makovka is happy to take any inquiries. She can be reached at (514) 747-7738.

The Toronto number for the Canadian friends is (416) 781-9744.

Hadassah meets

By STEPHEN GARDNER

LONDON, Ont. —

Over 100 persons representing eight cities in Southern Ontario gathered here recently to participate in the Huron and Great Lakes Bi-Regional Canadian Hadassah-WIZO conference.

The conference, held at the Ramada Inn, had representatives from across the region discussing such issues as membership, leadership, and Israel and Canadian public affairs.

Naomi Frankenburg, Canadian Hadassah-WIZO national president, stressed the importance of the challenges and changes currently facing Israel. She emphasized the need for the Jews in the Diaspora to maintain support and solidarity for the Jewish state.

Lily Frank, executive vice-president of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO from Montreal also emphasized the need for Jewish communities all over the world to maintain strong support for Israel. She held that the Jews of the Diaspora should not be misled by the world media attention to the situation in the territories.

One of the keynote speeches also addressed at the conference was given by Alan Shefman, director of communications and education, Ontario Human Rights Commission. Shefman emphasized the fact that anti-semitism is increasing in Canada and advocated that Jews, and for that matter all minority groups, should be aware of racism that still exists in all aspects of society today.

The conference was followed by a reception which was co-sponsored by the London Jewish Federation.

The conference was convened by Brenda Enchin, Dianne Goldstein, and Susan Merskey — prominent members of Hadassah-WIZO in London.

The events of the conference, said Enchin proved to be "very exciting and stimulating for all who attended. We were delighted that so many members from the smaller communities, as well as the large ones, could attend."

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Lawrence Plaza development plan scrutinized

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

A proposal to turn Lawrence Plaza into a centre with five condominiums (a total of 995 units) and an enclosed mall to replace the present shops is under intensive scrutiny by community groups.

The application from the Frum Development Group is still under consideration by the North York planning department. Eventually the planning advisory board will make a recommendation to North York Council.

The plan includes:

• A 24-storey condominium on Bathurst St., north of Covington Rd., roughly where the Bathurst Heights Library is now. Covington is the first block north of Lawrence running west.

• A 19-storey condo on the northside of Covington Rd., west of Bathurst St. next to the proposed new location for the library.

• A 3-storey $5,000,000 library to the west of the 19 storey condo which Frum is willing to relocate and build at its own expense as a contribution to the community.

• Two 18-storey twin condominiums kitty corner to each other on the south side of Covington Rd. about half way between Bathurst St. and Brucewood Cres.

• An 8-storey condo on the south side of Covington facing Brucewood connected to a 6-storey condo bordered by the mall on the south and the twin condos on the north.

• A 90-store 2-level enclosed mall, including a supermarket, west along Lawrence from Bathurst and north on Bathurst to Covington with an 11-storey commercial tower where the Bay is now.

• A 7-level parking garage to the east of the twin condos and a larger 6-level parking garage at the corner of Lawrence and Brucewood to the west of the supermarket. There is a corridor from the supermarket to the garage.

The condominiums will have two or three levels of underground parking.

A neighbor to the north of the 24-storey condo is the National Council of Jewish Women's apartment building for special needs tenants. Another neighbor will be the new Beth Jacob Elementary School for Girls on the site of the Saranac public school.

Jack Goodwin, Vice-President, Developments, of the Frum Group said it is impossible to give a starting and/or completion date for the project.

He said the proposal complies with the Ontario government housing ministry regulations requiring 25% of the total units to be in the affordable category, and sold at $150,000 or less.

North York Councillor Frank DiGiorgio, in whose ward Lawrence Plaza is located, said it is unfortunate that the Plaza was left for so long without being renovated because it means a greater change all at once. "The community will need to learn that rejuvenation is not possible without increasing density," he said.

DiGiorgio said he is still hopeful that Frum will reduce the scale of the project and that the city of North York as well as the Frum Group will put more money in the pot for community recreation purposes.

Metro Councillor Howard Moscoe describes the Frum proposal as "outrageously excessive," and he doubts that it meets the 25% affordable rule.

The idea of a community centre as part of the redevelopment "is alive and negotiable," Moscoe says, pointing out that seniors are using the Bay's coffee shop as a centre and it will disappear in the future.

A model of the Frum Development Group's proposal for Lawrence Plaza showing Lawrence Ave. at lower left and Bathurst St. at right.

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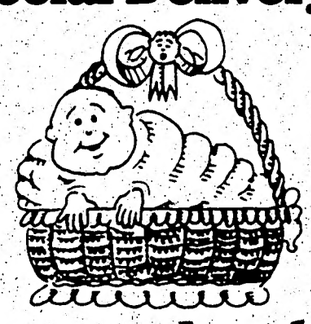
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Fashion

Marvellous Mizrahi has hit Toronto by storm

By MARIE MOORE

Le Miz hit Toronto recently with the same impact Les Miz did many months ago.

Isaac Mizrahi has returned to New York but it will be a long time before Toronto's media and fashion followers recover from his quick quick trip to Sharon Batten's Hazelton Lanes boutique.

The 2-day trip, his first personal appearance outside of New York, was an event geared to fans. They had the opportunity to view his Spring/Summer trunk collection — he also brought a video of his Fall collection — during Girls Night Out With Isaac and Breakfast with Isaac.

Heralded as 7th Ave.'s "breath of fresh air," Mizrahi says presentations of this kind inspire him; they allow him the opportunity to meet the women who like and buy his clothes.

The public events also help him relate to his customers and reflect the demands of their lifestyles in his designs.

The Spring collection is a paradox of energy and subtlety. While his choice of color ranges from vivacious to knock 'em dead, Mizrahi's silhouette is soft.

"My aim with everything in the line is to create clothes that fill the same bill as hard controlled designs, but softly," he said in an interview before the evening event.

"Many designers confuse tailoring with shoulder pads and labels when it's really just about control of design.

"So I can still create a tailored garment that a women will feel good in and be proud to wear without making the silhouette all stiff and inflexible."

Some items from Mizrahi's Spring collection are available Batten's boutique and Simpsons.

Cotton peach pants and a mustard, green and white striped blouse are teamed with a pumpkin silk jacket which features bowed cuffs and a detachable hood. Isaac Mizrahi also created the black-and-white checked walking shorts (left) worn with a white blouse and diamond print jacket. (M-J Crete photo)

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Children's wear designer honored

Henderson award presented

Children's fashions have become serious business and those who have taken the business seriously were awarded for their efforts at the recent Kidswear show in Toronto.

The Elen Henderson Memorial Award for the Best New Designer was named for Henderson because she was said to be a shining role model for the new designers. The average new designer is around 30, has studied art or some form of design, has at least one child, has an image of the type of clothing that he or she feels children should be wearing, and begins to make clothing for children on a very small scale. This is how Elen Henderson started out more than 40 years ago and that is how most of the designers are still starting out.

The Elen Henderson Memorial Award for the best new designer was won by Rene Leventhal. Leventhal designs Peas in a Pod, Petit pois and Owl lines. Now in her fifth season, she is becoming well-known for the creative images and fun clothing she designs.

Jennifer Wright

The award for the Best Designer for Sizes 0 to 3X was presented to Jennifer Wright. Wright designs Urbanwear for Uptown Tots by L. Davis. The designs use innovative shapes, screen printing, and appliques on playwear that will be introduced this spring.

The award for the Best Girl Fashions went to Mai Aru. Aru designs the Kidaroo label and sells it through her own retail outlets in Toronto as well as to other retailers. She emphasizes shapes, comfort and practicality in her line as well as interesting and creative style.

The award for the Best Boys Fashions was won by Zalia Ribau. Ribau creates the Moka Designs collection. It is a formal collection for formal occasions. It is crafted from natural fabrics like silk, linen, cotton and wool.

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Milliner creates hats for "eccentric personalities"

By VIVIEN SHARON

In a world of mass production, Su Downey is the exception.

At 28, owner of Su Modiste hat boutique, is one of Canada's most sought-after milliners. Every hat she designs is 1-of-a-kind, worn with equal aplomb by runway models, brides or women who want to be noticed.

Her 300-square-foot showroom in the heart of Toronto's fashion district is tiny, walls painted white, furnishings bare. That is, except for the many hats that are on display.

Each one has its own unique appeal. Many are wide-rimmed, free-form hats, others are worn closer to the head like the cloche, square top, sailor, beret, beenie, boater or cube-shaped styles. For brides, she is notorious for her outrageous, fantasy designs.

"I really believe hats are for the eccentric personality," said Downey, whose hats retail for $125 to $300 each. "A woman who wears one of my designs is confident, fashion-conscious, and theatrical. A hat makes a strong statement . . . is like a woman who wears a mini skirt."

Sporting short, cropped blonde hair, Downey has an angular face that suits hats well. She is wearing a black mini skirt, matching turtleneck and black opaque tights. Over her outfit is a white milliner's smock, which she dons for the long hours she spends alone in her cramped basement atelier beneath her shop.

She does all the designing and sewing herself. An industrial sewing machine and another heavy-duty one especially for the shaping of lacquer hats sit idle as we speak. Only during peak times — before major fashion shows like the Festival of Canadian Fashion, when Downey produced 300 different hats for the opening gala and Woolmark Awards — did she employ an apprentice or two.

"This is a small operation," said the milliner, who models her 2-year-old business after the traditional Parisienne modiste, the French word for milliner. An atelier in Paris is small, spartan, but functional, she says, adding "so is mine. It's the creativity and output that counts, not the decor."

Apprenticed in France

For inspiration, she closes her design studio each summer and heads for Paris (with her French-born husband, Gerard, a chef) where she apprentices for the renowned hat designer and her mentor, Jean Barthet. A milliner for the past 60 years, Barthet is responsible for topping the heads of many of the foremost designers and celebrities, such as Chloe, Montana, Krizia, Rykiel, Ungaro and Sophia Loren.

Downey concedes she goes there to improve her craft, without pay. As a token of gratitude, Barthet presented her with two black velour hats worn by Sophia Loren from one of her movies, at the end of her stint there last summer. She hangs them proudly in her Toronto showroom.

She has been involved in the fashion industry as a makeup artist and stylist before beginning a 5-year sojourn as fashion coordinator at Ports International.

With the experience she gained, Downey moved to Paris to study the art of millinery. Her infatuation with hats comes naturally, having been raised with an appreciation of them.

"My mother lives in a log cabin in Terra Cotta in the Caledon Hills. For as long as I can remember, the two of us created country hats and crafts for local stores."

"If there is anything that keeps me going, it's living with the feeling of what I was exposed to in France," said Downey, who dreams of someday designing hats for Broadway productions.

She concedes that exotic high-fashion hats are more acceptable in Europe than in North America, although that is slowly changing.

"In European high society, an ensemble is built around a hat. Upper class European women revere tradition. They go to the horseraces, to balls and to lunch without hesitating to spend $2,000 to $3,000 for a couture hat. Here, such a price would be absurd."

Downey produces a private seasonal collection offering exclusivity of design for designers including Alfred Sung, Clotheslines, Comrages, Emily Zarb and Marilyn Brooks, as well as for private clientele.

Su Modiste Hats are available at Creeds, Holt Renfrew, Little Lanes, Pleasant Pheasant, Simpsons, Your Choice and Bliss in Toronto and across Canada.

Model wears a fetching ivory straw hat enhanced by a satin bow from Su Modiste's spring collection.

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Organizations and People

Fran Sonshine (left) and Marlene Altbaum pose with model Christa Daniel wearing one of the Tricia Cochran creations to be modelled at the Shaare Zedek Hospital Foundation benefit tea.

Shaare Zedek women plan high fashion tea

TORONTO —

The Toronto Women's Division of The Canadian Shaare Zedek Hospital Foundation will host a high fashion/high tea at 1 p.m., Wednesday, May 31 at the North York home of Fran and Eddie Sonshine. Proceeds of the event will be directed to the Neonatology Intensive Care Unit at Shaare Zedek Medical Centre in Jerusalem.

The fashion show will feature cocktail, evening and bridal wear by Tricia Cochran, noted Toronto couturier. The British-born designer attended the London College of Fashion in England and for many years designed for theatre and television as well as for Bond Street high fashion boutiques.

She arrived in Toronto 10 years ago and has developed an extensive private clientele while also working with leading shops in Canada and the United States. Still interested in theatre, she was the fashion designer for the film version of udith Kranz's *I'll Take Manhattan*, and for the Kay O'Brien television series.

The Shaare Zedek Neonatology Department is currently celebrating its 10th anniversary. The Department was founded by Prof. Arthur Eidelman, a graduate of Yale University and former senior staff member at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine Hospital in New York, who is still chairman. The Intensive Care Unit within the Department treats at-risk infants born prematurely and/or with handicaps or ailments.

Since its inception eight years ago, the Toronto Women's Division of The Canadian Shaare Zedek Hospital Foundation has provided support for the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit and has purchased several major pieces of medical equipment and funded the cost of treatment for a child for three months.

For information on the tea/fashion show, call 781-3584.

Theologian hits religious biases

By
DORIS STRUB EPSTEIN

TORONTO —

In order to fully understand Christianity, it is important to know the Hebrew Bible, says Prof. Rolf Rendtorff.

"It's crucial we recover the Jewishness of Christianity," he said to a mixed audience of students and religious professionals, both Jewish and Christian, in a lecture at the University of Toronto. "As long as we don't accept the Jewish roots of Christianity we won't understand what Christianity is."

A well known scholar and author (a recent work is The Theology of the Churches and the Jewish people), his main scholarly field is the Hebrew Bible, particularly from a theological point of view.

Since his first visit to Israel in 1963, Jewish-Christian, German-Jewish and German-Israeli relations are one of his main areas of interest. In 1973-74, he was a visiting professor at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

Rendtorff said the Jewish roots of Christianity were virtually ignored for 2,000 years. Only since the Holocaust has this changed, he added.

Until the last few decades, Jews and Christians had no formal relations in their communities and did not interact, the professor said. There were no Jews in academic biblical studies, which was the domain of Christians. Theology was regarded as Christian, he stated.

Now, for the first time in history Jews and Christians are meeting, without politics, for meaningful dialogue, Rendtorff said.

"It's high time that Christians know the Jewish interpretation of the Old Testament," he said. "Jewish and Christian scholars should work together."

But first, Christian theologians must rid themselves of biases, Rendtorff stated. The Old Testament for most Christians, he said, is only valued in relation to the New Testament — its function is preparatory, hinting of something outside itself which is fulfilled later.

Rendtorff's lecture was co-sponsored by several institutions, including the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews, and the Christian-Jewish Dialogue of Toronto.

Like a dream come true

Ballet fund raiser Nesker brings in the "big bucks"

By
CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —

Life is like a dream come true for Carol Nesker. And for the National Ballet of Canada, Nesker is a dream come true.

This month, Nesker, the president of the National Ballet's Volunteer Committee, will present a check to Judith Loeb Cohen, president of the National Ballet — by far the largest amount of money ever raised by the women and men of the Ballet's Volunteer Committee.

Four years ago, as projects chairman, Nesker, a dynamo fund-raiser, accepted the challenge of substantially increasing the funds raised by the committee to support the Build-A-Ballet fund which underwrites the costs of new productions.

"I was determined that I could create a fund raising venture that would bring in the big bucks," says the ballet enthusiast who also teaches part-time at Associated Hebrew Schools junior high school.

Creating a strong committee and with full confidence, she spearheaded the first Ballet Ball that substantially increased the income from their annual fund raising project which previously had netted about $5,000.

To everyone's surprise — except Nesker — their first attempt was an overwhelming social success and netted more than

Carol Nesker

$100,000.

Last year, the Romeo and Juliet Ballet Ball at which Peter Ottmann and Kim Lightheart performed excerpts from the ballroom scene of the ballet, raised $215,000.

"I'm very proud of the committee," says Nesker. "We raised $150,000 at our Paper Things shop in Yorkville, $55,000 from a boutique operated during the ballet season, and $55,000 at art shows."

Last year, the committee funded La Ronde and this season, the fund will underwrite the costs of the new Glen Tetley ballet premiering in May.

"Believe it or not," says Nesker, "last year, all 800 tickets to the ball were sold out before Labor Day."

Nesker successfully combines her many roles — wife, mother, teacher and volunteer.

Born in Owen Sound, Ont., Nesker says that she, her sister Brenda (Cohen), and brother David, owner of David Robert's Fine Foods, were exposed to many creative activities while they were growing up.

"Our home was rich in culture. I took ballet, tap and jazz lessons, studied the piano and singing and we skied and went horseback riding. And several times a year, our family came to Toronto to visit family, shop and go to the ballet and the theatre."

Nesker comments that it was her mother's philosophy that encouraged her to accept challenges. Her mother would say, "Try it. If you don't like it you can make a valid and intelligent decision about it," and, "If you join something, make sure you get involved."

When she was 12 years old, her parents, Rose and the late Leonard Abrams, sold their successful abatoir and moved to Toronto. They wanted to expose their children to a Jewish cultural environment.

After being the only Jewish student in her class in Owen Sound, Nesker recalls the cultural shock of moving into a predominantly Jewish neighborhood in north Toronto.

"I was very fortunate that I found myself in a class with wonderful girls who had the same value system as mine." She became the president of her B'nai B'rith Youth group and participated in many community events.

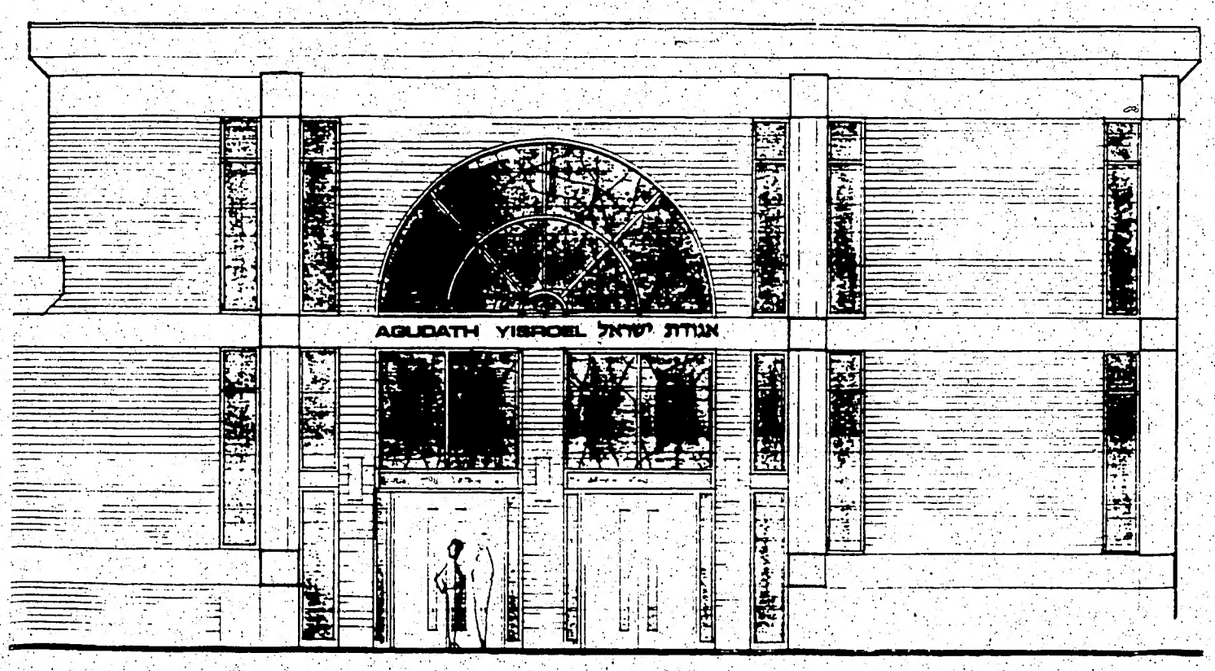
With a teaching degree and specialties in science and English as a second language, she taught in the North York Board of Education and became the principal of an ESL summer school program.

In 1972, she married Jerry Nesker, now a partner in the law firm of Kuchar & Nesker. "Jerry's background was very different than mine, and on many occasions I reiterated my mother's words, 'try it' and he did.

It wasn't very long before Jerry became as enthusiastic as his wife about opera, ballet, and the symphony. Today, he studies opera with David Stanley Porter, one of Canada's outstanding teachers of opera, and the Neskers travel extensively, planning their trips around performances of ballets and operas in Europe and as far away as the Soviet Union.

After the arrival of Jeffrey, now 11, and Cimberly 7, students at the Associated Hebrew Schools of Toronto, she temporarily gave up teaching and began doing voluntary work. Ten years ago, she was invited to join the Ballet's volunteer committee.

"I plunged right in — I had found my niche. I was raising money for something tangible and when the curtain goes up on a new production, we all feel so proud and ecstatic that our committee raised the money to make it possible."



How the shul's main entrance will look after work is completed. [Sketch courtesy Kirshenblatt Korman Associates and Richard Idels, architect.]

Agudath Israel shul to expand

By
PHIL FINE

TORONTO —

This year's Chanukah party at North York's Agudath Israel Congregation should be a little less cramped thanks to an expansion which will more than double the shul's size.

The expansion, which will give the McGillivray Ave. synagogue another 4,200 square feet of badly needed floor space, should be completed by Chanukah, shul spokesman Saul Anisfeld told The CJN.

Anisfeld says the shul desperately needs more space for its many simchas as well as for the half dozen study groups which meet there almost every day. A larger kitchen is another must.

More space is also needed to relieve overcrowding during the high holidays, he added.

Since 1984, the shul's membership has doubled from 100 to 200 families.

The expansion, which will see the addition of a balcony, will include a new mikvah which will be open to women on Yom Tov as well as Shabbat evenings. There will also be a new mikvah for toiveling which will be open to the community 24 hours a day. That facility will have an entrance separate from the main mikvah.

The addition will also include the offices of Camp Agudath, Agudath Israel of Toronto's summer camp at Port Carling, Ont.

Project architects are Kirshenblatt Korman Associates of Toronto. Secondary architect is Richard Idels of Thornhill.

This is the first expansion of the shul which was built in 1963.

Karen Kain radiant in title role

This widow waltzes in a bubbly, shmaltzy ballet

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

Let's uncork a bottle of champagne to salute the National Ballet of Canada for its sparkly second production of the current spring season.

The Merry Widow, running until May 14 at the O'Keefe Centre, is a bubbly and romantically shmaltzy crowd-pleaser.

And the dancing to the waltzes composed by Franz Lehar for his original 1905 operetta is just as exuberant and exhilarating as when British choreographer Ronald Hynd's ballet version was first performed by the Canadian company a scant three years ago.

If you're one of those who has never seen either the operetta or the ballet, you're in for a treat. That is, as soon as you unscramble the plot intrigues confected by Lehar's Jewish librettists, Leo Stein and Victor Leon.

Interestingly, the Hungarian-born Lehar (1870-1948) was himself not Jewish, but his wife, Sophie, was. During World War II, Hitler asked Lehar to abandon Sophie. However, the dictator was defied by the Vienna-based composer. Ironically, the Lehars escaped persecution only because *The Merry Widow* was Hitler's favorite operetta.

Little wonder. For its lustrous songs the likes of *Silly, Silly Cavalier* and its escapist comic scenes have been performed in 24 languages around the world, including Chinese and Hindustani.

This satire of the decadent Austro-Hungarian empire takes place in Paris, mostly in the embassy of the mythical, Graustarkian Balkan state of Pontevedro (lampooning the tiny principality of Montenegro).

Dominating the ballet's three acts is the on-again, off-again romance of its two bigger-than-life lead characters.

One is the flirtatious Hanna, the super-glamorous, newly widowed Pontevedrian, worth 70 million francs, and rumored to be on a husband-hunting quest. If her new spouse is a foreigner, it's feared that Pontevedro — already almost broke due to the squandering of its ruling class of indolent aristocrats — will surely wither away into bankruptcy.

The other character is the epitome of that breed of patricians, Count Danilo, the dashing and debonair first secretary of the embassy. He is encouraged to renew his wooing of the young widow, with whom he had a romantic fling some 10 years ago. A permanent match between them would be an ideal way to keep her wealth intact in Pontevedro.

Karen Kain is radiant as the widow. The 37-year-old principal dancer from Hamilton, took possession of the role as though born for the part in 1986, when the National added the ballet to its repertoire.

Kain portrays Hanna as a playful but fiery-tempered coquette of many quicksilver changes of mood. She demonstrates her earthy sense of humor in a party scene, when pointing her ballet-slippered toe at the favored men in the surrounding circle of suitors she finds most attractive.

She portrays the eternal vulnerable woman in love, all alone in the darkened embassy ballroom, dancing with the orange handkerchief that is a souvenir from her early affair with Danilo. She caresses and kisses the silk hanky as though it were an animated and amorous waltz partner.

She also plays the rich *grande dame*, sweeping imperiously into Chez Maxim's can-can nightclub in the last act, glittering in a ruffled white gown with tiara to match, and looking like a Toulouse Lautrec poster come gloriously alive.

Karen Kain plays the title role in The Merry Widow ballet at O'Keefe Centre. [David Street photo]

Guest star John Meehan, the 39-year-old Australian dancer who partnered Kain in the 1986 production, plays Danilo with panache as though to the manor born.

The handsomely moustached roue makes his amusing entrance into the embassy swaggering tipsily; thinks nothing of tossing his gold-headed cane to a flunky with casual abandon; and challenges a rival suitor to a duel with a broad touch of slapstick humor.

But he doesn't camp up Danilo. He brings elegance and honest sentiment to the climactic scene in which the aristocrat and the widow link arms and waltz across the stage while simultaneously imbibing their goblets of champagne.

I liked the miming and the dancing of other performers, especially Raymond Smith as a licentious French diplomat trying to seduce Yoko Ichino as the adulterous young wife of the elderly ambassador while the pair of promiscuous lovers are rolling about comically on a table top at the embassy.

And I enjoyed the ravishing costumes and sumptuous sets that Stratford Festival designer Desmond Heeley created with Lorenzo The Magnificent splendor.

It's an ebullient ballet that, on all scores, did Pontevedro proud.

Will explore feminist movement

Canadian women's films set for Israeli series

MONTREAL —

Israelis will have an opportunity to learn about the state of Canadian feminism in a series of Canadian women's films to be shown in Israel May 15-31, under the sponsorship of the department of external affairs, the Canadian embassy in Tel Aviv, the National Film Board of Canada and the Canada-Israel Foundation for Academic Exchange.

The films will be screened at the embassy and at Jerusalem, Tel Aviv and Haifa Cinematheques. Most were produced by the NFB's Studio D, which was established in 1974 to provide an outlet for women filmmakers.

Zuckerman and Hannon, the coordinators, say the films explore the ways in which the feminist movement has affected the film industry, the types of films women are producing and images of women being portrayed on the screen today.

During the series, Israeli women will participate in panel discussions on feminism: Rachel Ostrovich, editor of the feminist magazine Noga and an expert on women's cinema; veteran television broadcaster Carmit Guy; Dr. Tamar Cohen, an authority on incest; and Michal Friedman, a professor of feminist cinema at Tel Aviv University.

The series will open May 15 at the Jerusalem Cinematheque with a panel discussion on How the Feminist Movement has Affected the Film Industry, followed by the Israeli premiere of Calling the Shots, a documentary directed by Cole and Davis about films made by women today.

Sixteen movies slated

Among the other 16 films to be shown are: Beverly Shaffer's To a Safer Place, a documentary about childhood victims of incest; Bonnie Sherr Klein's Not a Love Story, an indictment of the sex industry; Janet Perlman's animated The Tender Tale of Cinderella Penguin; Helen Klodawsky's Shoot and Cry, which offers two perspectives on the Arab-Israeli conflict; and Lea Pool's Ann Trister.

The work of filmmakers Margaret Wescott, Patricia Resema, Gail Singer, Ariadne Ochrymoych, Ann Claire Poirier, Caroline Leaf, Veronica Soul and Dorothy Henault will also be represented. Their subject matter ranges from a history of nuns to women's poverty to rape.

The coordinators are associated with Kol Ishah Productions, a Montreal-based film company. Kol Ishah, in association with the NFB, is scheduled later this year release Half the Kingdom, a documentary about women and Judaism.

Zuckerman is executive producer, producer and director, and Hannon is her assistant. Hannon is also co-editor of an anthology of Canadian Jewish women's writings to be published this year.

The Canadian embassy hopes the series will stimulate interest in an existing Canada-Israel film co-production agreement and offer Israeli film students the opportunity to engage in dialogue with Canadian filmmakers.

Importance of Yiddish paper focus of film

TORONTO —

The Toronto premiere of the award-winning documentary, *The Forward: From Immigrants to Americans*, will take place at 8 p.m., Wednesday, May 24 at Beth Emeth/Bais Yehuda Synagogue, 100 Elder St., Downsview.

Sponsored by B'nai B'rith Canada in cooperation with Beth Emeth/Bais Yehuda Synagogue, Friends of Yiddish of Toronto, Yorkdale Circle Lodge, B'nai B'rith, the event will feature an address by co-producer, Linda Matchan of Winnipeg following the 1-hour film. The public is invited to attend.

The Forward: From Immigrants to Americans, is the story of the world's most successful Yiddish newspaper, The Jewish Daily Forward, which served as mentor to hundreds of thousands of immigrants from its founding in 1897.

During its heyday in the 1920's, it boasted a quarter of a million readers nationwide and was considered a major metropolitan daily paper. Today, with a few Yiddish-speaking readers, the Forward's circulation is less than 20,000, and its future is uncertain. It continues to be published, however, as a weekly by a small staff of aging, indomitable Yiddish-speaking men.

The film was produced by Marlene Booth, co-producer/director, who has worked in film since 1975, both for PBS station WGBH-TV in Boston and as an independent filmmaker for her own company, Raphael Films and Linda Matchan, co-producer, an award-winning feature writer at the Boston Globe, where she has worked since 1980.

Born in Winnipeg, she has produced radio documentaries for the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, including an hour-long program about the garment industry of Winnipeg.

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Arts

Can't compare with movie

Spider Woman is passionless

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

Comparisons, they say, are odious.

At the risk of being ranked a terribly odious fellow, I must confess I can't figure out why the Canadian Stage Company decided to produce *Kiss Of The Spider Woman* (running until May 21 at the Free Theatre Downstairs, 26 Berkeley St., 368-2856).

Why? Because it compares so poorly with the 1985 Hollywood version of the same novel by Argentine fiction writer Manuel Puig, which justly won an Academy Award for William Hurt.

If you saw the movie, you'll recall that Hurt delivered a flamboyant, bravura performance as Molina, an effeminate homosexual window dresser imprisoned for corrupting the morals of a minor.

He shares the cell with Valentin, who was well portrayed by Spanish-speaking actor Raul Julia as a virile Marxist revolutionary.

Molina is forced by the warden to win the trust of the political prisoner, and pry out the secret whereabouts of Valentin's leftist comrades.

Molina ingratiates himself by spinning out the sexy story of a seductress in a tacky film he professes to have seen. But in the process of doing so, the gay romantic falls in love with his seemingly brutal yet idealistic cellmate. A surprisingly tender relationship develops between them.

One might have thought that the stage would have been better suited than a big screen for an intimate, 2-man drama. Unfortunately, that theory doesn't work out in practice here.

I don't know who's to blame. It could be the rambling script by Manuel Puig (who had nothing to do with the screenplay, but dramatized the novel himself for the stage). It could be the emotionally restrained direction by Toronto's Michael Shamata (who did such a fine job last season in staging another all-male play, *Observe The Sons Of Ulster Marching Towards The Somme*).

Robbed of richness

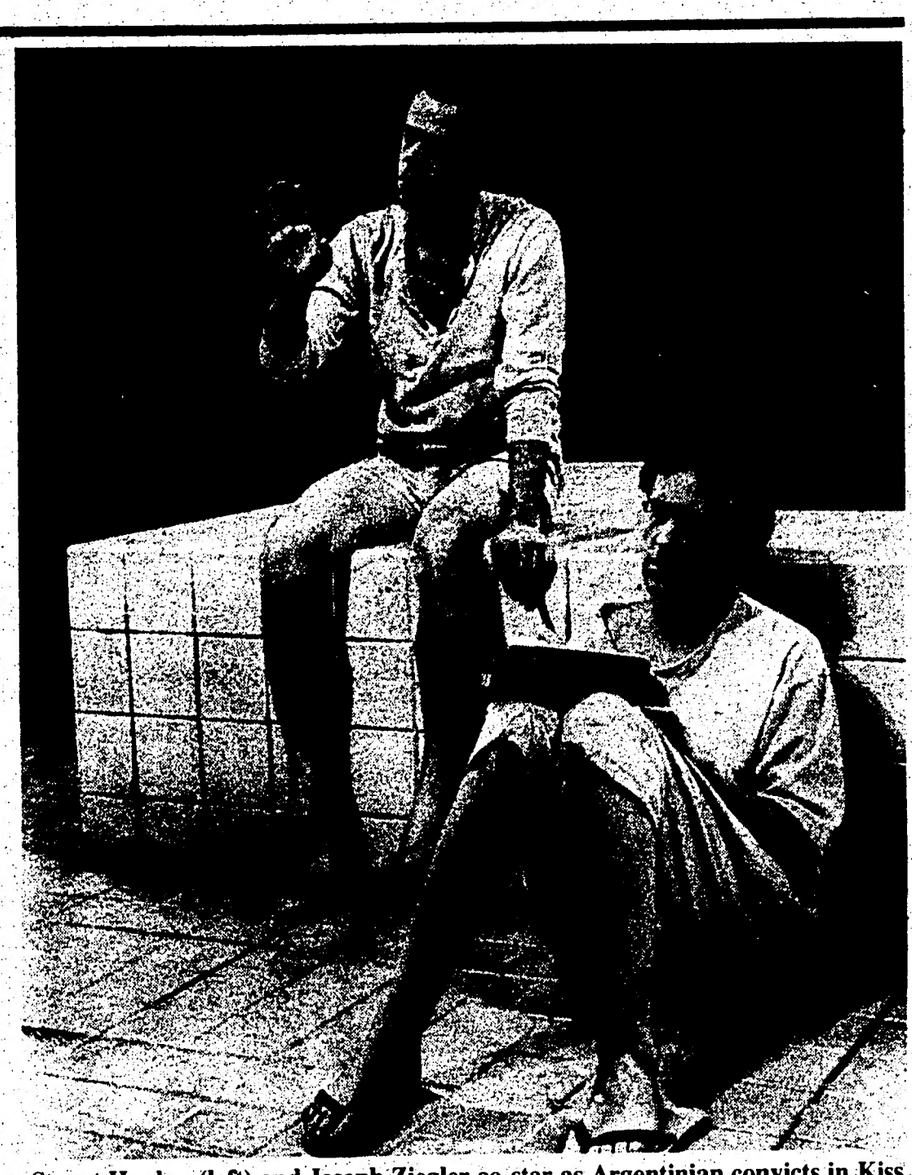
Or it could be the fault of the underplaying of its two co-stars, Joseph Ziegler as Molina and Stuart Hughes as Valentin (both experienced veterans of the Shaw and Stratford Festivals).

But I do know that the end result is so determinedly understated that it's robbed of the richness of drama.

Instead of camping it up with a stereotype limp wrist or a lisp, Ziegler subtly suggests effeminacy with a gentle voice and the adroit use of his hands constantly smoothing back his blondish hair or caressing his body. And instead of bellowing his lines like a boorish working-class stiff, Hughes makes his character an eloquent and even refined tough guy.

As a consequence, though, I regret to say it's a passionless play. By no stretch of the imagination do Molina or Valentin come across as fiery Latin American convicts. Despite designer John Ferguson's sparse yet evocative set suggesting a cement-block cell, I felt as though I spent the evening not in a squalid Argentinian prison but in a sedate convent.

Altogether, this stage Spider Woman wove a disappointing web.



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Showbiz Mishmash

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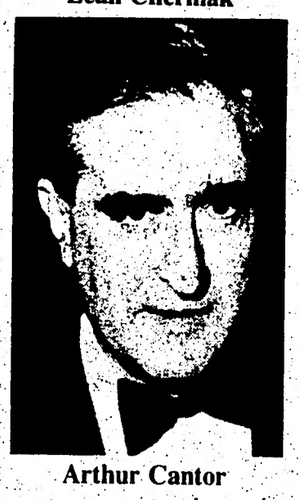

Arthur Cantor

The first chapter of his autobiography begins, characteristically, with the following piece of insult humor — even though it's directed at himself:

"The trouble with writing a book about yourself is that you can't fool around. If you write about someone else, you can stretch the truth from here to Finland. If you write about yourself, the slightest deviation makes you realize instantly that there may be honor among thieves, but *you* are just a dirty liar."

The tone is unmistakably Grouchian. You can almost see the ghost of **Groucho Marx** (1890-1977), with his leering eyes, grease-painted moustache and steel-rimmed specs, loping at a crouch after a blonde, while puffing his omnipresent cigar and waggling his eloquent, bushy brows.

Julius Henry Marx, to give him his full moniker, was the most verbally outrageous of the three regular movie Marx *freres*. His fellow fraternal nihilists, of course, were the elfin, deliciously manic, mute **Harpo** who played the harp and wore a fake blond wig **(Adoph Marx,** 1888-1964), and the equally anarchistic **Chico**, who tinkled the piano with two fingers and assumed a fraudulent "At's-a no good, boss" Italian accent **(Leonard Marx,** 1886-1961).

The two other brothers, who briefly played slick romantic roles, didn't really count as comics. They were **Zeppo (Herbert Marx)** and **Gummo (Milton Marx).** But unquestionably the most literate ad libber of the trio, who clowned in 13 movies, including such classics as *The Cocoanuts* (1929), *A Night At The Opera* (1935) and *A Day At The Races* (1937), was Groucho.

He exhibited his erudition in his 1959 autobiography, *Groucho And Me*, which has recently been republished as a softcover book in "The Lively Arts" series (Gage of Canada; 256 pages; $15.95).

The late humorist, **James Thurber**, whose admiring book review of the original memoirs serves as a foreword in the present reprint, didn't have to be told of Groucho's literary flair. He recalled first meeting the protean author of *Groucho And Me* during the 1930s in Hollywood. "And I'll be darned, "writes Thurber, "if we were not, within five minutes, engaged in a serious discussion of **Henry James'** ghost story, *The Jolly Corner*."

He remembered how Groucho was a witty essayist from way back.

"When *The New Yorker Magazine* was six weeks old, in April, 1925, it printed the first of four short humor essays that year, signed Julius H. Marx," Thurber recalled. "In 1929, there were three more pieces in the magazine, this time signed Groucho Marx. I think **Harold Ross**, our editor, had insisted that Groucho come out from behind his real name and admit, you might say, who he wasn't."

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Groucho, who never did graduate from grammar school in New York City, refers to himself mockingly in the book as "the poor man's Pepys" engaged in sweating out "this stringy, ill-written farrago" of a diary.

It's crammed with hilarious anecdotes about his father, an inept tailor originally from Alsace in France, known to his customers as **"Misfit Sam;"** his bossy mother, the formidable **Minnie,** who launched her boys into vaudeville as a musical team, known originally as "The Three Nightingales;" and the joys and woes of touring the vaudeville circuit where you were stabled in frowzy, fleabag theatrical boarding houses.

"We played tank towns I would refuse to be buried in today, even if the funeral were free and they tossed in a tombstone for lagniappe," Groucho wrote derisively.

"Theatrically, we were at the bottom of the social ladder. Five performances a day in a 10 cent vaudeville theatre was about as low as you could get. The only things below us were the carnival shows, one-ring circuses and the crooked medicine hustlers, selling fake nostrums on street corners to gullible yahoos."

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The funniest chapter, displaying his demolition style of cheeky anti-Establishment humor, concerns an angry letter he received from the legal department of Warner Brothers Studio. They objected to the Marx Brothers co-starring in a scheduled movie to be called *A Night In Casablanca*. Five years earlier, Warner Brothers produced a film, co-starring **Humphrey Bogart** and **Lauren Bacall**, called simply *Casablanca*. Now Warner Brothers was threatening a lawsuit if the Marx Brothers persisted in using a title allegedly too close to the original.

"Dear Warner Brothers," replied Groucho.

"You claim you own Casablanca and that no one else can use that name without your permission. What about 'Warner Brothers?' Do you own that, too? You probably have the right to use the name Warner, but what about Brothers?

"Professionally, we were brothers long before you were. We were touring the sticks as The Marx Brothers when Vitaphone was still a gleam in the inventor's eye, and even before us there had been other brothers — the Smith Brothers; the Brothers Karamazov; Dan Brothers, an outfielder with Detroit, and *Brother, Can You Spare a Dime?* This was originally, *Brothers, can You Spare a Dime?* but this was spreading a dime pretty thin, so they threw out one brother, gave all the money to the other brother, and whittled it down to, *Brother, Can You Spare a Dime?*

"Now, Jack, how about you? Do you maintain that yours is an original name? Well, it's not. It was used long before you were born. Offhand, I can think of two Jacks — there was Jack of *Jack and the Beanstalk* and Jack the Ripper, who cut quite a figure in his day.

"Now about the Burbank studio. I believe this is what you brothers call your place. Old man Burbank is gone. Perhaps you remember him. He was a great man in a garden. His wife often said Luther had 10 green thumbs.

"What a witty woman she must have been! Burbank was the wizard who crossed all those fruits and vegetables until he had the poor plants in such a confused and jittery condition that they could never decide whether to enter the dining-room on the meat platter or the dessert dish.

"This is pure conjecture, of course, but who knows — perhaps Burbank's survivors aren't too happy with the fact that a plant that grinds out pictures on a quota settled in their town, appropriated Burbank's name and uses it as a front for their films. It is even possible that the Burbank family is prouder of the potato produced by the old man than they are of the fact that from your studio emerged *Casablanca* or even *Gold Diggers of 1931*.

"This all seems to add up to a pretty bitter tirade, but I assure you it's meant to. I love Warners. Some of my best friends are Warner Brothers.

"It is even possible that I am doing you an injustice and that you, yourselves, know nothing at all about this dog-in-the-Wanger attitude. It wouldn't surprise me at all to discover that the heads of your legal department are unaware of this absurd dispute, for I am acquainted with many of them and they are fine fellows with curly black hair, double-breasted suits and a love for their fellow man that out-Saroyans **William Saroyan**.

"I have a hunch that this attempt to prevent us from using the title is the brainchild of some ferret-faced shyster, serving a brief apprenticeship in your legal department. I know the type well — hot out of law school, hungry for success and too ambitious to follow the natural laws of promotion. This bar sinister probably needled your attorneys, most of whom are fine fellows with curly black hair, double-breasted suits, etc., in attempting to enjoin us.

"Well, he won't get away with it! We'll fight him to the highest court! No pasty-faced legal adventurer is going to cause bad blood between the Warners and the Marxes. We are all brothers under the skin and we'll remain friends till the last reel of *A Night in Casablanca* goes tumbling over the spool."

Oddly enough, this letter seemed to puzzle the Warner Brothers. They solemnly wrote to ask if Groucho could outline *Casablanca's* plot.

"Dear Brothers," Groucho obligingly responded. "There isn't much I can tell you about the story line. I play Bordello, the sweetheart of Humphrey Bogart. Harpo and Chico are itinerant rug-pedlars who are weary of laying rugs and enter a monastery just for a lark. This is a good joke on them, as there hasn't been a lark in the place for 15 years.

"Across from this monastery, hard by a jetty, is a waterfront hotel, chock full of apple-cheeked damsels, most of whom have been barred by the Hays Office for soliciting. In the fifth reel, Gladstone makes a speech that sets the House of Commons in an uproar and the King promptly asks for his resignation. Harpo marries a hotel detective; Chico operates an ostrich farm. Humphrey Bogart's girl, Bordello, spends her last years in a Bacall house.

"There are many scenes of splendor and fierce antagonisms, and Color, an Abyssinian messenger boy, runs Riot. Riot, in case you have never been there, is a small nightclub on the edge of town.

"There's a lot more I could tell you, but I don't want to spoil it for you. All this has been okayed by the Hays Office, *Good Housekeeping* and the survivors of the Haymarket Riots, and if the times are ripe, this picture can be the opening gun in a new world-wide disaster."

It was the last time the Marxian heard from the Warners.

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My weekly tip of the hat goes to the following Jewish creators in the arts.

Mazel tov to **Celia Franca**, the Jewish founder of the National Ballet of Canada, now in her 60s living quietly in Ottawa. She'll be emcee of the 2nd annual International Competition for the Erik Bruhn Prize, May 13 at the O'Keefe Centre. Franca will introduce each pair of competitors from the four international companies associated with the late **Erik Bruhn** and present the winners with the $15,000 prize.

I look forward to putting on my dancing shoes and cutting a jitterbug rug or two on Mother's Day, May 14, when **Jackie Rae** will emcee the swing jive presented by **Mickey Erbe's** 18-member Spitfire Band at the Royal York Hotel's recently revamped Imperial Room (368-6175). Rae, whose grandfather was a Jewish Scot from Glasgow, used to be host of CBC-TV's *Jackie Rae Show*, featuring **Jack Kane's** 16-man band, from 1953 to 1955.

Leah Cherniak, the talented co-artistic director of Theatre Columbus, will also perform in the new **Martha Ross** comedy, *Doctor Dapertutto*, running from May 23 to June 11 at the Poor Alex Theatre, 296 Brunswick Ave. (927-8998).

Richard Greenblatt, deputy artistic director of the Canadian Stage Company, is one of the creators of *The i.d. Project*, a fast-paced, high-energy collective theatre piece opening May 13 at the Free Theatre Upstairs, 26 Berkeley St. (368-2856).

Welcome to Jewish Broadway producer, **Arthur Cantor**, 65, who is presenting mime **Geoff Hoyle's** 1-man *The Fool Show*, a San Francisco mixture of inspired buffoonery and lunatic clowning, which opened May 10 for a limited engagement at the Bayview Playhouse, 1605 Bayview Ave. (481-6191).

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I bow out with an exit line from horror novelist **Stephen King**: "I'm a salami writer. I try to write good salami, but salami is salami."

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Arts

Supernatural element fills Field of Dreams

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

The supernatural is at the heart and soul of *Field of Dreams*, so beware. If you're adverse to magical, child-like transformations, you have hereby been advised to draw the appropriate conclusions.

Phil Alden Robinson's film, now playing at Cineplex Odeon theatres, is about the power of dreams, which itself can be a function of supernaturalism.

In a bountiful Iowa cornfield, Ray Kinsella (Kevin Costner), an American farmer, ardent baseball fan, reformed 1960s radical and solid family man, hears a low whisper.

He tries to ignore it, but it becomes something of an obsession.

In his mind's eye, he sees a baseball diamond, and Kinsella convinces himself that if he builds one in a corner of his fields, a mythical baseball figure from the past, Shoeless Joe Jackson, will return from the grave.

Kinsella is 36 years old and feels that his life is slipping away. He doesn't want to end up like his late father, a man whose dreams were shattered. Kinsella is determined to listen to that strange, muted voice.

Kinsella's practical wife, Annie (Amy Madigan), initially resists. Their farm is losing money, and she says they can't afford to plough up their land just to satisfy one of his whims. However, he persuades her and their engaging young daughter (Gaby Hoffman) that a baseball field may not be such a bad thing after all.

In pursuit of his cockeyed dream, Kinsella meets Shoeless Joe (Ray Liotta) and his infamous 1919 Chicago "Black" Sox teammates, Terence Mann (James Earl Jones), a legendary but reclusive writer, and "Doc" Graham (Burt Lancaster), a former New York Giant.

Based on a book by W.P. Kinsella, and adapted for the screen by Robinson, *Field of Dreams* is possessed of a naturally dreamy ambience and characterized by strong acting.

Costner, whose credits include *The Untouchables*, *No Way Out* and *Bull Durham*, brings qualities of intensity and likeableness to his role. A cynic may bridle at the idea of reincarnation, but the average viewer may well be intrigued, if not actually enchanted, by the impossible spectacle of ball players, and one man's father, being resurrected from the dead.

In order to appreciate *Field of Dreams*, **you have no alternative but to suspend your critical faculties, sit back and watch a fanciful tale unfold.**

For such self-discipline there are some rewards — namely better-than-average performances by the plucky Costner, the feisty Madigan, the prickly Jones and the utterly serious Liotta.

The question, of course, is whether you can program yourself for this mental legerdemain. If you can't, *Field of Dreams* could well be a disappointment.

Kevin Costner, Amy Madigan, Gaby Hoffman and Dwier Brown in Field of Dreams.

An enervating cinematic experience

Dead Calm is a first-rate thriller

TORONTO —

Gripping films like *Dead Calm* are pretty rare.

Now playing at Famous Players theatres, *Dead Calm* **is a first-rate thriller — the kind which tenses your whole body.**

This Australian film, shot on the fabled Great Barrier Reef, doesn't diminish itself with cheap tricks. Although the final scene is much too predictable, in the mould of *Fatal Attraction*, it acquits itself marvellously.

Directed by Phillip Noyce, from a screenplay by Terry Hayes, *Dead Calm* is spare and to the point. It wastes little time with unnecessary formalities and cuts to the core with sharpness and precision.

John Ingram (Sam Neill) and his beautiful, doe-eyed wife, Rae (Nicole Kidman), are recuperating from a tragedy. The Ingrams, still deeply hurt and anguishing over the accidental death of their infant son, set sail on a yachting holiday in the hope of gradually rebuilding their lives.

After three weeks of utter solitude and calm seas, they spot a large schooner lying about a half a mile away, then a man in a dinghy rowing furiously toward them.

The dinghy's occupant, an American named Hughie (Billy Zane), pours out his story. All his shipmates have died of food poisoning, and the schooner, having run into a storm, is now slowly sinking.

Skeptical of the stranger's tale, Ingram, an old seadog, rows out to Hughie's ship to investigate. What he discovers is terrible.

As Ingram heads back, Hughie forcibly takes command of his yacht, leaving him stranded in the middle of the ocean, much to Rae's disbelief and horror.

Dead Calm turns on Ingram's frantic efforts to start the schooner's engine and communicate with Rae by radio, and Rae's attempts to sabotage the psychotic Hughie.

It's riveting as few films are or can ever hope to be. In the best tradition of the genre, a viewer rarely knows what lurks around the bow. The suspense builds in a series of crescendos, carrying the audience with it to the brink.

Sam Neill, who last appeared in *Cry in the Dark*, is the epitome of grace under pressure, a term Hemingway could well have reserved exclusively for him. Neill is an actor who knows the limits and never tries to overreach himself. He's steady and stable, and somehow, you know he'll beat the odds.

Bearing a strong resemblance to Sigourney Weaver, Nicole Kidman is an exquisite creature. Here there is beauty as well as brains.

Zane has a crazed look in his eyes that is invariably the mark of a person teetering on the edge of insanity. He's wild and intense — just the actor to portray Hughie.

Dead Calm **is an enervating cinematic experience — which is to say that it's vigorous and seemingly real. Something like it hasn't been seen in quite a while.**

— S.K.

Hebrew play in Moscow

TEL AVIV (JTA) —

A play has just been performed on a Soviet stage in Hebrew, for the first time since the Habimah theatre left Moscow over more than 60 years ago.

A group of 15 young students from the Bet Zvi Stage and Film-Acting School in Ramat Gan, led by their teacher, Nina Mikhoels, went to Moscow to participate in an international festival of drama students.

They performed a Hebrew version of Equus, the British play by Peter Sheffer, directed by Ofira Henning, and were the only group allowed to give two performances, in addition to a sold out dress rehearsal.

Nina Mikhoels, daughter of the late Solomon Mikhoels, was interviewed in Moscow for reminiscences of her father, the noted Yiddish actor killed on the direct orders of Stalin. The interview is to be included in a documentary film now being made there on the Yiddish actor.

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By
BERNARD BASKIN

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• Feb. 9, 1668. Samuel Pepys: ". . . Also reading a little of L'escolle des Filles, which is a mighty lewd book, but yet not amiss for a sober man once to read over to inform himself in the villainy of the world.

• Feb. 4, 1975. Peter Hall: "As we were presented, the Queen asked me when the National Theatre would open. I said I didn't know. The Duke asked me when the National Theatre would open. I said I didn't know. The Queen Mother asked me when the National Theatre would open. I said I didn't know. The Prince of Wales asked when the National Theatre would open. I said I didn't know. At least they all knew I was running the National Theatre."

• Feb. 13, 1840. Queen Victoria: "My dearest Albert put on my stockings for me. I went in and saw him shave; a great delight for me."

• March 14, 1957. Malcolm Muggeridge: "Went to see play *Look Back in Anger* by John Osborne . . . Play quite execrable — woman ironing, man yelling and snivelling, highbrow smut . . . Endured play up to point where hero and heroine pretended to be squirrels."

• April 21, 1968. Barbara Castle: "Enoch Powell, white-faced and tight-lipped, delivering his Wolverhampton speech on immigration. As we listened to his relentless words — 'I see the Tiber running with blood' — intense depression gripped us. I knew he had taken the lid off Pandora's box and that race relations in Britain would never be the same again."

The diaries provide an infinitely rich legacy as they become vehicles for confession, apology, vitriol, description and aspiration.

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Letters are private communications that open up a world of feeling, concern, revelation and sensibility for the curious reader. Prior's anthology begins with a letter from Sir Philip Sidney to Queen Elizabeth in 1585 and concludes with an epistle from Albert Einstein to President Roosevelt concerning the atomic bomb. In between are missives from 200, mostly well known personalities. The eager reader is confronted with an embarrassment of riches.

• Famous for his absentmindedness, G. K. Chesterton sent the following telegram to his wife: "Am in Market Harborough. Where ought I to be?"

• George Bernard Shaw to an aspiring playwright: "The only advice I can give you is not to waste any thought or anxiety on the play you have finished, but go on and write another, and then another and so on until you have either learnt the business or discovered that you have not the necessary turn for it."

The Book of Diaries contains helpful biographical notes, and the Book of Letters includes indices of both writers of the letters as well as the recipients. These volumes are ideal for bedside browsing or occasional serendipitous dipping.

Tagore is bore, Dream a delight

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

A program of two ballets, which have three things in common, opened the National Ballet of Canada's spring season at the O'Keefe Centre (where both are running until May 12).

Both deal with the favorite subject of poets the world over — namely, love.

The choreography of both is based on music that was inspired by a literary source.

And the musical composers in each case happen to be Jewish.

But apart from those similarities, the two ballets are polar opposites. One struck me as being a tedious drag. The other was a charming delight.

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Let's get the dud out of the way first.

It's the world premiere of *Tagore*, by the 63-year-old U.S. choreographer, Glen Tetley, winding up his 3rd year term as the National Ballet's artistic associate.

Unlike his two other narrative works commissioned by the Canadian company, the internationally successful *Alice* and *La Ronde*, this is a plotless, abstract ballet.

Tetley's inspiration was *The Lyric Symphony* by Alexander Zemlinsky. The late Jewish-Viennese composer created it in 1922 for an orchestra plus baritone and soprano who alternate in singing in German seven spiritual yet sensual love songs.

Zemlinsky's musical score was inspired, in turn, by the mystic yet erotic Bengali verses of Sir Rabindranath Tagore. He was the turn-of-the-century East Indian poet, who climaxed his career in 1913 by winning the Nobel Prize for literature.

With his muse thus doubly inspired, Tetley's balletic "swan song" for the National should have been a happy occasion. Alas, I found it a dreary affair.

The seven melancholy love songs, sobbed with Germanic *angst* by Gary Relyea and Joanne Kolomyjec, seemed as loftily pretentious as designer John Macfarlane's towering, fog-crowned set. Supposedly this backdrop symbolizes the wandering lover's soul "longing to touch the skirt of the dim distance."

Jennifer Fournier strikes a dramatic East Indian pose for Glen Tetley's premiere of Tagore at the O'Keefe Centre.

And the cliched, East Indian-style movements set by Tetley for the dancers in their flowing, cream-toned costumes seemed as repetitive and unimaginative as Zemlinsky's rambling music. Even such gifted performers as Karen Kain, Rex Harrington, John Alleyne and Owen Montague were defeated by the crushing weight of these obstacles.

In short, I felt that Tetley's 56-minute *Tagore* was an interminable bore that would never end.

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In contrast, *The Dream* by the late British choreographer Sir Frederick Ashton, seemed to skim by on winged feet.

His inspiration was Shakespeare's beloved fairy tale fantasy, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, which, in turn, inspired the 19th-century romantic music by Felix Mendelssohn (including the Hamburg-born composer's famed *Wedding March*).

Ashton devised the ballet for Britain's Royal Ballet in 1964 to celebrate the 400th anniversary of Shakespeare's birth. It's a blend of moonbeam romance and knockabout farce set in designer David Walker's enchanted fairyland forest of aquamarine blue and lush green.

Ashton has distilled the essence of the Shakespearian comedy, illustrating the Bard's theme that, "The lunatic, the lover, and the poet/Are of imagination all compact."

An outstanding dancer on opening night was David Peden as the mischievous sprite, Puck, dropping magical wild pansy juice in the eyes of innocent sleepers, who would then fall in love with the first person they saw on awakening.

I also enjoyed the acting and dancing skill of Gizella Witkowsky as one of the quartet of confused lovers; the clowning of Jacques Gorrissen as the rustic yokel, Bottom, transformed by Puck into a donkey, who dances in *pointe* slippers which look comically like hooves; and the pirouetting of Yoko Ichino, looking doll-like as the fairy queen Titania, wearing a blonde wig and a green chiffon dress with lacey pink-flowered wings, as she dances an exquisite pas de deux with Jeremy Ransom in his lead role of Oberon, the king of fairyland.

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Caricature of Gerry Morris by Al Hirschfeld

GERRY MORRIS, The CJN's New York theatre critic, reviews one of the latest Broadway hits. Morris is a member of the Outer Critics Circle, Drama Desk and American Theatre Critics Association.

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NEW YORK —

Jerome Robbins' *Broadway* is a glorious celebration of the Broadway musical — the kind they don't make any more.

Considered America's greatest living choreographer-director Jerome Robbins has recreated a dozen show-stopping sequences from his favorite productions. Featuring 50 brightly talented and spirited dancers, this stunning $8 million retrospective whirls through a parade of legendary moments from *On The Town* (1944) to *Fiddler On The Roof* (1964). Among the shows in between: *Gyspsy, West Side Story, Peter Pan, The King and I, High Button Shoes and A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To The Forum.*

In addition to celebrating the dancemaker's contributions, *Broadway* pays tribute to the melodic and lyrical gifts of such giants as Irving Berlin, Leonard Bernstein, Oscar Hammerstein, Stephen Sondheim, Richard Rodgers and Jule Styne.

Since his triumphant Broadway departure following *Fiddler On The Roof* 25 years ago, Robbins has been creating works for the New York City Ballet, where he now is co-director along with Peter Martins. In this, his sentimental and poignant return to The Great White Way, (where he started as a chorus boy in 1937), he has clearly revealed to what extent ballet's gain has been Broadway's loss.

The Jets, in Cool, from West Side Story, one of the highlights in Jerome Robbins' Broadway.

Like his contemporary, Agnes DeMille (*Oklahoma*), Robbins has revolutionized dance in the musical theatre, using it to define character, express emotion, and generally deepen the show's development. This is best exemplified by the electrifying, finger-snapping, knee-swinging movements in Robbins' *West Side Story*, the top segment in the show.

The 70-year-old Jewish American dance genius recently explained his return to Broadway. "I didn't want those dances disappearing, all those things I had loved. I thought: 'Let's preserve them, put them together, make a collection of them and see how they work.' "

Unfortunately, 30 or 40 years ago there was no system of dance notation, and there were no video tapes to record moves, so that most of Robbins' choreographic work was lost.

Stars from the original productions were brought in to help stimulate his recollections. As well, he had the monumental problem of fitting approximately 25 hours of song and dance sequences into a 3-hour show.

It was an incredible undertaking. This painstaking process required one of the longest rehearsal periods in Broadway history — a driving, meticulous 6 months as opposed to the usual 6 weeks. This produced a rarity: a successful musical that doesn't have a star — just a boundingly athletic display of dance, gracefully presented by 50 young hopefuls, with supercharged energy and split-second timing guaranteed to take your breath away.

The houselights dim, *New York, New York, It's a Helluva Town* blares from the pit, and the brash and jazzy sailors from *On The Town* initiate the first part of the show. The excitement continues with such diverse vignettes as the stirring dance suite from *West Side Story*; the delicate appeal of The Small House of Uncle Thomas from *The King and I*; the riveting charleston number from the never-revised *Billion Dollar Baby*; the hilarious Keystone Kops Chase ballet from *High Button Shoes*; the bumps and grinds of the lusty strippers in You Got To Have A Gimmick from *Gypsy*; down to the shtetl Jews in chassidic dances from *Fiddler On The Roof*.

Some of these young performers have tremendous potential. Robert La Fosse is an exciting and solid dancer on loan from the New York City Ballet; Charlotte d'Amboise is a sensuous skirt-flouncing Anita in *West Side Story*, and also performs in the aerial-strut sequence, I'm Flying, from *Peter Pan*. Jason Alexander does a superb job as the show's narrator and guide.

If you have seen the original production and suffer from the problems of total recall, you will encounter a flaw in an otherwise exhilarating evening. There is no one in this cast who has the sparkling stage presence of the original stars, which included such stellar performers as Zero Mostel, Mary Martin, Nanette Fabray, Chita Rivera and Phil Silvers. But what this new generation of Broadway hopefuls lacks in charisma and seasoned exposures they more than make up for in raw energy and excitement.

Jerome Robbins' *Broadway* is a reminder of times past in the musical theatre, when wit, brilliance and melody were not disguised by the gimmickry of cats, roller skates or falling chandeliers. This is an old-fashioned Broadway musical, and the emotional reactions of the audience reveals just how nostalgically attached we are to the genre of American song and dance.

You needn't rush to see this show — it's going to be around for a long time — probably forever.

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Air of excitement around Indian play

By BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

The plot line of *Dry Lips Oughta Move to Kapuskasing* is deceptively simple — The women of Wasychigan Hill, a fictional Indian reservation in northern Manitoba, form their own hockey team, eliciting bizarre reaction from the men.

But in this play which runs at Theatre Passe Muraille until May 21, playwright Thomson Highway dramatically portrays the ills which beset North American Indians.

There is an air of excitement around this play and well there should be because it elevates the 37-year-old Highway to the status of the foremost Canadian playwrights such as David French, Michele Tremblay and Sharon Pollock.

Some may argue that *The Ecstasy of Rita Joe* by George Ryga, a non-Indian Canadian playwright, did more to reveal their plight than this play or an earlier play, *The Rez Sisters*, by Highway. In *Dry Lips*, however, you get a total look at their culture, and the history of their culture, some of it far from pretty. Through it all appears Nanabush, the trickster, the spirit of the Indian people, who Highway claims is equivalent to Jesus in the Christian religion.

The strength of *Dry Lips* is that its humor is plausible and provides a solid footing. These are not sitcom situations, they flow naturally from the way they think and live. An outstanding contribution to this aspect is given by Graham Greene as the toothless elder who finagles an appointment as the referee for the women's first game, and skates clown-like up and down the stage. Another signal performance is by Gary Farmer, star of the movie *Powwow Highway*.

Highway was being trained as a concert pianist in London, Eng., when he decided to return to Canada and work with his people, and, later, to write about them. He is now artistic director of the Native Earth Performing Arts Company in Toronto which produced this play in association with Theatre Passe Muraille.

It may be that Thomson Highway will do more to improve the condition of his people than generations of politicians, educators and social workers. But don't see *Dry Lips* because it focuses a hot, white light on their situation — see it because you'll be swept along with Zachary Jeremiah Keechigeesik, Creature Nataways, Pierre St. Pierre, Spooky Lacroix and Dickie Bird Halkett, among others, before you realize that a drama of social significance is unfolding before you.

Theatre Passe Muraille is at 16 Ryerson Ave. in the Queen-Bathurst area, 363-2416.

Multicultural theatre troupe gets off to a shaky start

TORONTO —

The new We Are One company, which hopes to make its mark in multicultural theatre, tries to break too much new ground in *Sweet Pan* running at Tarragon Extra Space until May 14.

It's an admirable first try, however, and should encourage Marvin Ishmael, its writer and director, to follow through on his ambition to make We Are One a potent voice for Third World countries.

The problem in *Sweet Pan* is to blend the plot line of two friends following different careers — one in music and one in the ministry — with calypso and reggae music by a 6-member steel band, music which is thoroughly enjoyable on its own hook.

In order to make room for the music, the plot is not developed as well as it should be, which is a pity, for Ishmael has a good ear for dialogue. Despite the limitations, the tug of war between the band leader and his friend who opts for the ministry has dramatic impact.

In the role of Jim, the band leader, Sugith Varughese handles a difficult role well, as does Charmaine Lord as his girl friend. As the musician-turned-minister, Dirk McLean was unable to project his agony over the break-up of their friendship. As the assistant band leader, Luther Hansraj skilfully added a lighter note and his monologue was one of the play's highlights.

The Tarragon Extra Space is at 30 Bridgman Ave. (Bathurst-Dupont) 531-1827. — **B.R.**

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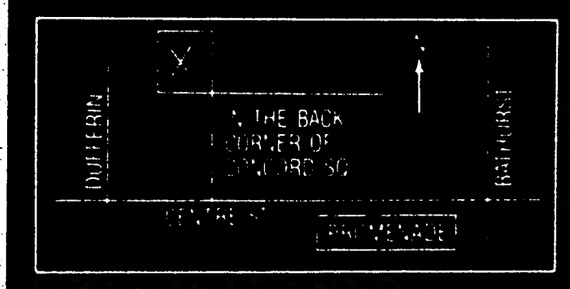

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Fun festivals abound across Canada

By
JAMES MONTAGNES

OTTAWA —

Each morning at 10 there is a Changing of the Guard Ceremony in front of the Parliament Buildings from late June to late August. This military precision movement to a full military band by soldiers in colorful Guards uniforms, is worthwhile to watch, and follow part way as it marches to Rideau Hall, residence of the Governor-General.

Each evening on the Parliamentary grounds the history of Canada is portrayed through a moving Sound and Light show. The Parliament's Peace Tower chimes the quarter hours and on some evenings there will be concerts on the 53-bell carillon in the tower.

This is but one of many festivities throughout Canada this summer. Here are some of the major festivals from Atlantic to Pacific coasts:

The oldest sporting event in North America is the sailing Regatta on Quidi Vidi Lake at St. John's, the first week of August.

The Charlottetown Festival is on from June to September in the capital city of Prince Edward Island, with a variety of plays and concerts and performances of Anne of Green Gables.

In Halifax, the Nova Scotia Tattoo is a military spectacle with band music, Highland Games and a variety of competitions the last few days of June. Also in Nova Scotia you can recall the first days of European settlement at Port Royal on the Bay of Fundy at the restoration of the fort built by Champlain in 1606.

The Festival of the Sea is held annually the middle two weeks of August in Saint John, NB, with some 1,200 performers from all across Canada.

They represent various Canadian cultures and stage ethnic folk events from native Indian dances to bluegrass musical events. Highland Games are held at Oromocto June 23 and 24 with dances and sporting events.

In Quebec City from late May to June 10 an International Theatre Festival will be staged with workshops, lectures and performances by Canadian and foreign theatrical groups.

Montreal will have its World Film Festival the last week of August and the first week of September, with films expected from more than 45 countries. Grand Prix automobile races will take place the second weekend of June through Montreal streets. The annual Just for Laughs Festival is planned at Montreal the third week of July with comics from Europe and North America.

The Kawartha Summer Theatre from June 29 to Sept. 2, is at the Academy Theatre in Lindsay, Ont. and for its 25th year has planned eight plays including the Mousetrap and Barefoot In The Park. The Shaw Festival at Niagara-on-the-Lake opens Apr. 26 and lasts to Oct. 15 and will have plays by George Bernard Shaw including Man and Superman as well as plays by others such as Once In A Lifetime by Moss Hart and George Kaufman.

At Windsor, there will be an International Freedom Festival jointly for a week for Canada Day, July 1, and Independence Day July 4. Toronto will have the West Indian Caribana Festival the last 10 days of July with colorful dances and flamboyant costume parades. During most of May there will be a Spring Festival in Ottawa with tens of thousands of tulips in bloom in parks and also along Rideau Canal driveways.

In Birds Hill Park, near Winnipeg, the Winnipeg Folk Festival will be held on ten stages throughout the park the weekend of July 6 to 9 with country music, Acadian music, folk songs and jazz.

In Regina, during July and August the historical play, the Trial of Louis Riel will be performed several times each week. At Batoche the Metis Heritage Days will have dances, fiddling contests and folklore events in mid-July.

Calgary will have its annual Stampede July 7 to 16 with rodeo events and parades. Edmonton will follow with Klondike Days the last 10 days of the month with everyone dressing in turn-of-the-century costumes recalling the gold rush days of the early days of the 1900s and parades and pancake breakfasts on street corners.

At New Westminster, BC, they celebrate from May 18 to 28 Hyack Days, marking this year the community's 130th birthday. There will be gold panning, can-can girls and other events in the city's colorful history.

From Nanaimo, on Vancouver Island, there will be a motorized bathtub race across the Strait of Georgia to Vancouver in mid-July, the zaniest of all boat races with competitors from all over the world.

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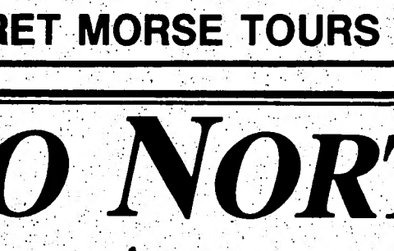

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Swiss alpine resort beguiling

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

GRINDELWALD — Morning had broken and Grindelwald, high up in the Bernese Oberland, lay blanketed in a heavy layer of snow.

Ordinarily, I would have complained about the inclement weather. After all, this was April and I had been led to believe that spring-like weather would await me in Switzerland.

It didn't matter. In fact, I was secretly pleased. In just two days, I had experienced the Bernese Oberland — one of Switzerland's finest resort areas — in all its spring and winter finery.

On arrival in this pretty town, lying in the shadow of a craggy mountain range which is a constant delight to both skiers and hikers, the tulips has already begun to bloom. The sun was shining and the snow on the lower ledges of Eiger, Monoch and Jungfrau were melting.

But now, less than 24 hours later, Grindelwald and environs were inundated by a wet blanket of snow. At the train station, rowdy British schoolboys in their ski suits, as surprised as I was by the sudden turn in the weather, were happily pelting each other with huge snowballs.

But as any seasoned tourist in these parts realizes, winter is never really far away in the Bernese Oberland, home to more than 60 resorts, and only about an hour's train ride from Bern, the capital.

Even in the swelter of summer, when temperatures may reach the low 30s, there is snow if you go up high enough. Indeed, summer skiing is fairly common in this breathtakingly beautiful Alpine region.

The colors of nature most commonly seen around here, from approximately April until the first snowfall, are green, brown and white, a beguiling combination for which the Bernese Oberland is justly famous.

On a typical spring, summer or autumn day, a visitor can see the bright green of a pastoral pasture, the earthen brown tones of a newly-sown farmer's field and the pristine white of the perpetually snow-bound Alps towering above the valleys like trusty sentinels.

To "do" the Bernese Oberland, you need something like two weeks or, maybe, a lifetime. But if time is a problem, which it usually is, a 1-day itinerary enabling you to glimpse some of the highlights can easily be arranged.

I got around by train, a most convenient mode of transportation in this country. A car is useful as well, but be warned that two of the suggested destinations, Murren and Wengen, are *not* accessible by automobile.

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From Grindelwald, the cog-wheel train deposits me in Zweilutschinen, which is little more than a rural station. Another train takes me to Lauterbrunnen, which seems like a tidy, prosperous town.

By aerial cablecar, I ascend to **Murren,** a lovely Alpine village coated in a dense layer of fresh snow. Murren, which is only 18 kilometres from **Interlaken,** the hub of the Bernese Oberland, is well prepared for tourists. There are 2,000 beds in 11 hotels and holiday apartments, and plenty of recreational facilities and restaurants.

In winter, Murren attracts skiers like moths to light. During the rest of the year, it is relatively crowded with hikers and walkers enjoying the 150 kilometres of marked paths.

At the edge of Murren, the Schilthorn cablecar goes up to **Birg** and **Piz Gloria,** two of the best vantage points in the Swiss Alps. At 2,971 metres, Piz Gloria is renowned for its unforgettable views of craggy peaks and black birds soaring in the wind. It's easy to understand why *On Her Majesty's Secret Service*, a James Bond film, was shot here.

There are sun terraces and restaurants both on Birg and Piz Gloria. The revolving restaurant on Piz Gloria, which serves acceptable meals, is unique in Switzerland.

There's year-round skiing from Birg and Piz Gloria, but bear in mind that the precipitous trails up here are not for beginners.

Several hours later, down in the valley, I walk back to Lauterbrunnen, breathing in the heady smell of wood smoke, hay and cow dung. Europe's only accessible glacier waterfall inside a mountain, the **Trummelbach falls,** are temporarily closed. I press on, and in Lauterbrunnen, hemmed in by awesome mountain, I catch the cog-wheel train to **Wengen,** which lies 1,150 metres above sea level.

Like Murren, its sister settlement, Wengen is quaint and charming, with 500 kilometres of hiking paths and excellent ski trails, not to mention toboggan runs and ice rinks.

There was no time to visit further places of interest — **Jungfraujoch,** boasting the highest railway station in Europe, or **First,** which has the longest cablecar on the continent. But I could take solace from the fact that I had visited them in 1987.

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The Bernese Oberland is well equipped to handle tourists. It has 27,500 beds in 638 hotels and 43,700 beds in holiday flats and chalets. There are 19,000 sleeping facilities in camping and caravan sites and 790 beds in youth hostels.

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Budget "devoid of new initiatives"

Mintz accountant forecasts some new tax areas

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Though the early morning meeting at the Hilton Hotel was touted as a look at the recent federal budget, clients of Mintz & Partners also got a brief look into the accounting firm's crystal ball.

Donning his "Karnak" robes to prognosticate the future, Michael Cadesky predicted the eventual demise of the capital gains exemption. (Currently, the first $100,000 is tax free.)

Stretching his forecasting abilities further, he also predicted the eventual instatement of estate or gift taxes. Canada and Australia, among 11 industrialized Western nations, are the only ones now without such taxes, he said.

The $200,000 small business deduction hasn't been raised since 1982, Cadesky noted. It seems "due for an increase," he forecast. (Canadian controlled private corporations pay a reduced tax on the first $200,000 of income earned from an active business.)

His final prognostication asserted that the government, through the recently introduced Goods and Services Tax (GST), will be able to raise enough money to push the maximum personal tax rate below 45%.

(As a result of increases in the federal surtax, from 3% to 5%, and a further 3% surtax on federal tax in excess of $15,000, the top personal rate in Ontario will increase to 47.18% in 1989 and to 47.91% in 1990.)

While Cadesky looked into the future as part of the budget breakfast presentation, he and other Mintz accountants also looked back at Finance Minister Michael Wilson's recent "unimaginative" budget.

It was "devoid of any new initiative whatsoever," stated a copy of Mintz Matters, the firm's newsletter.

While "tax increases and expenditure reductions will account for a $5 billion reduction in the deficit, interest rate increases more than offset those reductions. An increased 1989-90 deficit of $30.5 billion" is the result.

With the finance minister unable to obtain agreement on a combined federal/provincial sales tax, Wilson presented a new federal Goods and Services Tax that is to take effect in 1991, replacing the current manufacturers' sales tax. The result for small businesses may well be an increase in the red tape and bookkeeping obstacles they face, the newsletter asserted.

There will be few exemptions to the GST, Robin Burden told the breakfast meeting, though groceries, medical services and drugs will not be taxed.

But virtually all other goods and services — at all stages of production and distribution — will be taxed at the proposed rate of 9%.

Similar to other countries' value added tax, the GST will be levied on businesses' taxable sales, while permitting a credit for taxes paid on purchases. The difference between the tax collected on sales and the taxes paid on purchases will be remitted.

A refund will be available where tax paid on purchases exceeds that on sales.

"The GST resembles a provincial sales tax in that it is a tax on final consumption," the newsletter stated. "The main difference will be with respect to the mechanics of the tax at pre-retail levels.

"The new tax is expected to raise sufficient revenues to replace the current federal sales tax ... and allow for further income tax reductions."

Partial rebates will be available to public sector institutions such as hospitals, school boards, municipalities, libraries, colleges and universities, while others such as registered charities and non-profit organizations will receive a 50% rebate of GST paid on purchases.

Some government assistance to homebuyers will be provided, although no indication was given in the budget as to the form of assistance.

Thr refundable sales tax credit, which was introduced in 1986 to aid low income families face federal sales taxes will be expanded, beginning with a doubling of the existing credit, the newsletter stated.

Some advice for businesses facing the GST includes:

- **Minimizing the impact of the tax for transactions that straddle the 1991 start-up date. Purchase/sale decisions should be made with a view to minimizing the tax, while ensuring that all available benefits, such as tax refunds, are obtained before phase-out.**
- Contracts should be amended to accommodate the new tax. Businesses' computer and accounting systems should be adapted with the tax in mind.

An analysis of the "drawback of social benefits" noted that the move to tax back old age security and family allowance payments will affect those earning approximately $50,000 or more.

Individuals will have to pay back 15% of the amount by which net income exceeds $50,000, to a maximum equaling the

Expert offers a guide on buying real estate

By
VIVIEN SHARON

MARKHAM —

Raymond Aaron, a Canadian real estate investor, author and lecturer, says Toronto is not the place for wise real estate investments.

"The market is too inflated," Aaron told a gathering of more than 200 people who came to attend one of the free Canadian real estate seminars held here recently.

"You need to take a chance if you want to move out of the broke box and move into the rich box. You have to buy low and sell high. That's the formula that will bring you success every time."

Toronto-born Aaron, 44, practices what he preaches. Over the past number of years he has purchased more than 500 properties, all in Canada, many just after a bust. You have to do your research, follow tips and investigate properties thoroughly before buying, says Aaron, who made his first profit in real estate on a Rosedale mansion in 1973.

Economic, social or political problems, or a geographical catastrophe, always signals an immediate fall in real estate prices, he says.

"That's the time to move in and buy."

People should read newspapers carefully to learn to anticipate boom and bust periods, Aaron says in an interview following the seminar. Such research led Aaron to purchase a number of homes in Collingwood after the shipbuilding plant closed there almost two years ago. Today, those homes have doubled in value.

When he learned that Highway 404 was to be extended, he purchased a 3-acre property in Newmarket for $200,000. That was in 1985; today the property is worth well over $1 million.

Similar reasoning applied in Barrie when the tornado hit several years ago.

"A small 3-bedroom home sold for $80,000 before the tornado. A day later homes went down $20,000. The next year, when houses were repaired, prices escalated again."

Other locations where profit was to be made was in Mississauga, the site of a train derailment more than 10 years ago, and Brantford, following the closing of the Massey-Ferguson plant four years ago.

He projects other "areas to watch" are Oshawa, where the Ontario ministry of revenue has opened offices, Kingston, the new headquarters for OHIP, and Guelph, the site where the ministry of agriculture will move shortly.

With the new Free Trade Agreement, he indicated that there are "giant opportunities" along the fiscal corridor that begins in Toronto and continues to Detroit and Buffalo.

"All the towns and cities along the route are sure to go up in value."

Aaron has been investing primarily in Alberta since 1985, following the economic slump there and the world decline in oil prices.

"With that province's rate of growth, it's heading for a marked upward surge. That's the place to invest your money.

"Every property I owned jumped $10,000 after the Olympics. The world saw Calgary wasn't a ghost town," said Aaron, who prefers buying small income rental properties, especially townhouses. He anticipates the boom to hit Alberta this year, at which point he intends to start selling.

"You just have to buy one property, preferly with next to nothing down . . . and then continue buying slowly," said the entrepreneur, author of the book, You Can Make a Million in Real Estate (1986, Pilot Publishing Inc., Toronto).

"Flipping is not the name of the game, real estate is a long-term activity. You aim to hold until the next real estate boom, which comes every five to eight years. Then you sell."

His real estate successes and his past forays into a number of business ventures, including importing sports cars, operating weight-reduction salons, driving a cab, in addition to his stint as a math teacher and textbook author, have given him a wide base from which to approach future projects.

Raised in a lower middle-class Jewish family, he remembers the days when his father drove a cab and money was scarce. The value of a dollar was instilled early as was the compulsion to succeed.

Aaron advises investors to "study the masters. Read the biographies of Donald Trump, Henry Ford and Lee Ioccoca."

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Business Outlook

Cycle reaches peak

Prognosticating interest rates is always risky

The Readers Ask:
By MURRAY SHERR, BUNNY BERGSTEIN & EARL CRACKOWER

Question: Interest rates are high now and I must turn in my RRSPs this year. I do not want more income this year but I don't want to miss the high rate either. What do you predict will happen with interest for the rest of the year?

Answer: This question is asked every working day by every client we work with. If we had the right answer every time we could make you rich and ourselves too!

Predicting interest rates is always risky. Over the years we have learned that in the short term, say one week or so, our accuracy rate is very high. Over the long term, say six months or more, our guess is as good or as bad as anyone else's. With that said, here is what we think is in store for the rest of 1989.

Interest rates have, in our opinion, reached the top of the current cycle. There may yet be a little increase in short term rates, that is 1 year or less. However we think that long term rates, 3 years, 5 years etc., are now on their way down. If past experience can be used to measure the present situation, a quick drop might be expected. Rates should stay down through the second half of 1989.

If you agree, your best strategy might be to convert your RRSPs now, with the income to begin next year. Many financial institutions holding RRSPs have hidden charges to break term deposits. The short term cost will be worth the price to secure a long term investment, particularly if your RRSPs are at interest rates lower than the current long term rates available to RRIFs or annuities.

No one possesses a crystal ball. But if the judgment of our clients is any indicator, then it would appear that they feel rates are going to come down, as evidenced from their comments and actions they are taking.

Question: Can you explain the special severance benefit available from Unemployment Insurance?

Answer: This is a benefit that you might be entitled to from UIC when you reach age 65. Once you achieve this magic age, UIC benefits are no longer payable.

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It is our understanding that only 20% of eligible people ever apply.

Question: My wife passed away recently and left her RRSP to me. The trust company is quite happy to transfer the funds to my RRSP but is asking for a probate copy of the will. This may take some time to obtain. Is this really necessary?

Answer: If you were not named directly in the RRSP document as the beneficiary, the trust company is quite correct in asking for a probated copy of the will. In this way they are able to determine if, in fact, the will makes you the beneficiary. However, if you were named as beneficiary in the trust company RRSP documents, then the proceeds are technically not passing through the estate and the trust company does not need to see a copy of the will. We suggest that you discuss the matter with the manager so that he can check to see if you are named.

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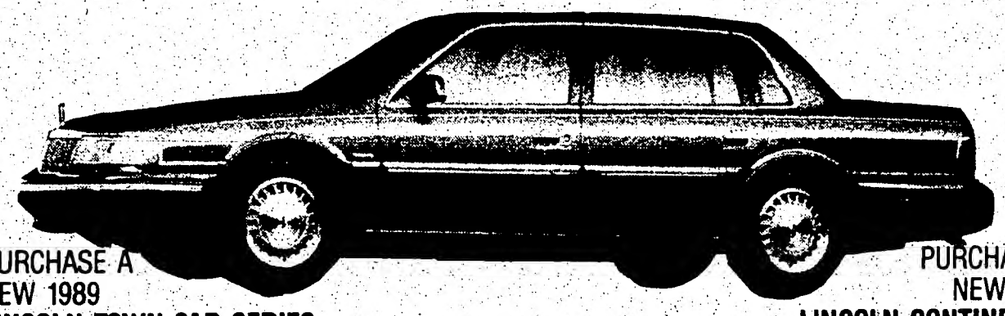
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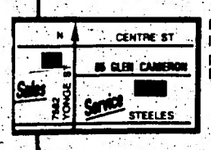

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BATHURST/WILSON VALUE PLUS!!
$299,900. 2-storey centre hall with 2 new kitchens and 2 new baths. Separate entrance to finished basement. 2-car garage, large south lot. Call Judi Gottlieb 449-2020.

BATHURST / 50 X 120 FOOT LOT!
$309,900. Excellent value for a 2-bedroom detached brick bungalow with basement apartment, private drive & garage. Call Judi Gottlieb at 449-2020.

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$689,900. 2-storey on secluded ravine lot with finished walk-out to basement. Main floor family room and laundry. Renovated white Laurentide kitchen, 4+ bedrooms. Judi Gottlieb 449-2020.

BATHURST & FINCH — NEW CONSTRUCTION
$789,900. Almost completed! 4,000 sq. ft. including main floor family room & library! Hardwood and marble throughout! 3 baths on second level! 60' x 125' lot. Judi Gottlieb 449-2020.

SUPERB NEW CUSTOM 50 X 160 LOT
$889,000. 4,200 sq. ft. marble foyer. White upgraded kitchen. Ceramics, oak library & family room. Fully finished bsmt + sauna. Lionel/Saryl Spector 737-1100.

OLD WORLD CHARM AT BAYVIEW & 401
$1,095,000. All done up with elegance & quality 4 bdrm. Master has stunning ens. & deck. Wonderful main flr. & splendid pool & gdn. H. Cohen/R. Baker 449-2020.

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$1,259,000. Just completed 4,400 sq. ft. new "Tudor" home in St. Andrews Gardens on a prestige 75' park-like lot. 5 bdrms., 4 baths, circ. dr. Gabor Horvath 449-2020.

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$1,340,000. Outstanding elevation. Superb view, mature landscaping over 4,300 sq. ft. of finest finishes, 5 bdrm., 5 baths. On the crescent. Sandi Kert 449-2020.

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$1,568,000. Can buy you a stunning 4,200 sq. ft. 2 storey, 4 lge. bdrms., gorgeous modern White kitchen, main flr. lib. & family rm. Michele or Eileen Church 449-2020.

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$1,595,000. Quality & flair in this stunning 5 bdrm. York Mills home. Enormous street appeal. Interior must be seen so call Hilary Cohen/Ron Baker 449-2020.

YORK MILLS GARDENS — MASTERPIECE
$1,670,000. Fine architecture & construction for a new home 5,500 sq. ft. Built by Antonio Sousa. Premium lot & prestigious location. Michele Church 449-2020.

BAYVIEW-YORK MILLS
$1,788,000. 5,500 sq. ft. of the finest architecture & design with 3-car garage. Superb lot, 75' x 150'. Convenient to all facilities. End summer poss. Eileen Church 449-2020.

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Midtown Properties

OAKWOOD SOUTH OF ST. CLAIR
$279,900. Excellent investment. 3-storey semi was formerly triplexed, and presently renovated into single-family 5 bedroom home. Must sell! Judi Gottlieb 449-2020.

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$799,000. East of Spadina, great location & charm describe this spacious 4 bdrm.; main flr. family room overlooks beautiful pool. Dorann Gottlieb 487-4343.

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$849,000. Sensational 4 bdrm. residence on desirable street. Gracious entry, large open living room, huge master & ensuite + +. Dorann Gottlieb 487-4343.

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YORK MILLS AREA CHOICE LARGE LOT
$1,500,000. 120' x 322'. Build your own spectacular home & have a pool & tennis court. Small bungalow on property. Sept. possession. For info Leila Taylor 449-2020.

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$1,775,000. The house that puts its arms around you as soon as you enter! Elegant principal rooms but comfy corners too! Sally Moore/Allan Consky 487-4343.

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$788,000. Gorgeous mature 103 x 173 ft. lot on quiet cul-de-sac in move-in condition. Finished bsmt. + fireplace + extra room. Saryl Spector 737-1100.

BEST VALUE GREEN LANE ACT NOW!!
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OVER ½ ACRE (PRIME) THORNHILL
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MOTIVATED VENDOR PRICED TO SELL
$268,900. Immac. 2 storey 3 bdrm. finished bsmt. on quiet court walking distance to Yonge & GO bus. July closing. View with Roz Feldman 737-1100.

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$838,000. This majestic 4,828 sq. ft. home features extra lge. principal rms., with dark stained hdwd. flrs., gorgeous kit. Many extras. Barbara Vanicek 737-1100.

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LOCATION + LUX $1,275,000
An exquisite res. on Hillhurst 4 + 1 Bdrms. Gourmet kit. with w/o to pool, main fl. fam. rm., fin. bsmt. w/maids rm. A. Pollock 226-1987.

EXCELLENT VALUE — HILLHURST
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Custom builder presents 5,275 sq ft. 5 bdrm on 100 x 300 lot. $1,395,000. Superior finish, trip. grge, many extras. Carol Greenglass 226-1987.

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York Mills/Bayview 100 x 132 corner lot. Prestigious neighbourhood. Walk to plazas, TTC. Judi Nightingale 226-1987.

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$769,000. Renovate 4 bdrm home on spectacular 1/2 acre lot. Mature trees allow you total privacy. A must to see. Jay Bleiweis 226-1987.

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Luxury 2 bdrm 2½ baths, 4 balconies, parquet flrs, car jockey, sec. system. Steps to Yorkville. S. Slater/R. Roebuck 488-2875.

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50 FT. X 175 FT. SOUTH LOT
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- 2 bd., 2 bths., N & S expos., "Jasmine", $244,900 to $254,900. Ted Waxman, 731-7111.
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Bathurst/Wilson - 150 Neptune Dr. Luxurious 3 bedroom, 2 washroom, 5 appliances, 'air-conditioned, $1,268/ month, utilities and parking included. Immediate. 783-6831.

10 Accommodation Available

Steeles/Yonge- Room for rent, own bath, all facilities, separate entrance, female preferred. $85/ week. Call after 6p.m. 250-0767.

11 Accommodation Wanted

Year-round handyman/ Apartment rental
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12 Shared Accommodation

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13 Apartments For Rent

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Bathurst/ Lawrence- Basement bachelor, separate entrance, furnished, newly renovated, female non-smoker preferred. 782-4762.

Bathurst/Lawrence - Basement apartment, 2½ rooms, separate entrance, near shuls and transportation. Ideal for professional person. Immediate. $500. 785-7665, no Saturday calls.

13 Apartments For Rent

Allen Rd./ Overbrook- Newly renovated 1 bedroom unfurnished apartment. $800/ month + utilities. Parking and laundry included. 778-1366 or 465-5566, evenings or weekends.

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20 Cottages For Sale

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24 Florida Property For Sale

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27 Israel Properties

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29 Accommodation Swapxchange

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38 Announcements

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39 Social Announcements

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David H. Sandler and Sandra E. Quartly, both of Toronto, are delighted to announce their forthcoming marriage which will be witnessed and celebrated with family and friends at Holy Blossom Temple on Thursday, May 18, 1989.

Morrie and Pauline Wolfman proudly announce the engagement of their daughter, Karen Esther, to David Ben Ian, son of Jake and Shirley Birbrager. Proud grandmother Mrs. Tema Simlewitz.

42 Articles for Sale

Richmond Hill Country Club membership for sale. Must sell. 889-6996 or Herb 979-4024.

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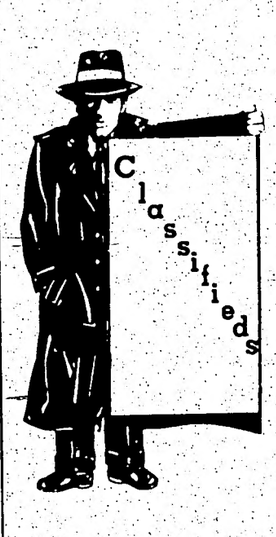

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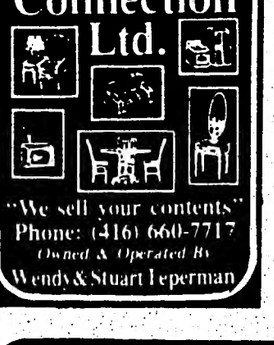
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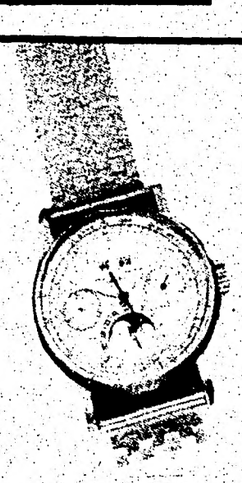
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By DAVID LAZARUS

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The last major weekend between cities took place in 1987 and drew more than 200 singles from Ontario, Quebec and the northeastern U.S.

This year's festivities are co-sponsored by the Ottawa Jewish Singles and Connection 20/30.

The party begins at 9 p.m. on May 20 with registration and a wine and cheese reception in the foyer of Ottawa city hall at 111 Sussex Drive. This venue was chosen because of its panoramic view of the Rideau Canal.

May 21 will be a "get acquainted with Ottawa" day. The schedule includes a Piccadilly Champagne Bus Tour of the city followed by lunch and an open afternoon to take advantage of Ottawa's Festival of Spring.

Among the events there are a Strawberry Social, a 24-hour canal flotilla (the largest boat parade in Canada), and canoe races.

Dinner and the weekend's highlight, a dance at the National Arts Centre featuring the RIO 7-piece band, cap off the day.

The weekend concludes with brunch the morning of May 22 at the Jewish Community Centre. The guest will be Arthur Blank, host of the CTV program, Point Blank.

The registration fee is $45 and covers the reception, bus tour, dance, and brunch.

To register, checks should be sent payable to the Jewish Community Centre to Singles Weekend, JCC, 151 Chapel St., Ottawa K1N 7Y2.

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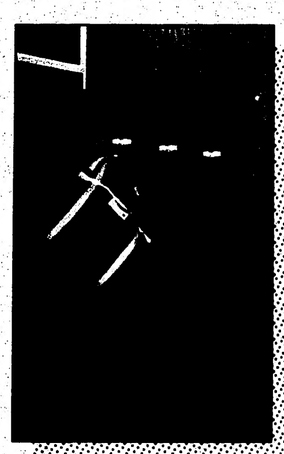

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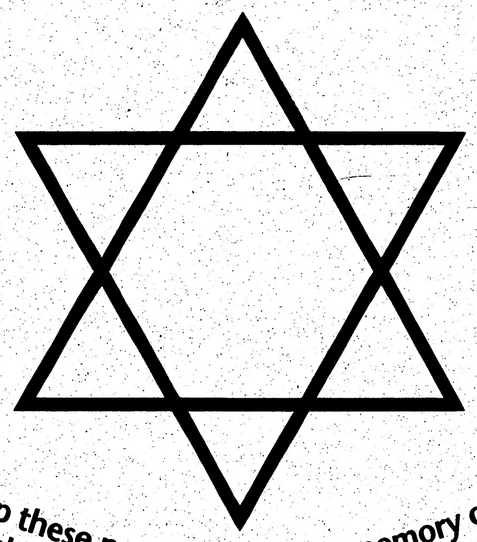

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Team cultivates Tulip business

Wearable art cool attire to weather summer's sizzle

By
STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

A teacher who thought she could not draw, and an artist who was not interested in business are today the co-owners of a clothing art business known as Tulip Designs.

"I've never had an art lesson in my life," said Ilene Samuels who teaches family studies to grades 7 and 8. "Basically, I start with scribbles and something starts to develop. The picture simply evolves. I can't say my designs are inspired — my personality and character influence the drawings — but I just scribble and doodle around until I see something interesting."

This supposed lack-of-talent, combined with Mary Nastis's polished fine arts skills, have created several unique pieces of artwork that are being worn all over Toronto.

The partner's masterpieces are displayed proudly on the front of T-shirts and sweatshirts.

Reminiscent of the cottage industries that were virtually wiped out during the industrialization of Canada, Tulip Designs has not only grown out of an original idea, but also out of the owners' homes.

"We are prepared to simply grow with it," Samuels said.

"It definitely takes a while and we were prepared for that. However, one thing we don't want is to grow too big too fast. We want to make sure all the flaws are worked out so if we do get a bigger account, mistakes won't be made."

Last May, Samuels went to Nastis with the idea of going into the T-shirt business. The women have been friends for about 10 years so the trust that is needed between business partners had already been established.

"It is working out quite nicely," said Nastis, 35, who is also a teacher. "Basically, we like what we're doing, and since we trust each other, we are able to collaborate and communicate. It's a nice combination."

The two complement each other in all aspects of the business.

"I would hand out lists of things I felt had to be done right away, but Mary would tell me to wait and let things happen slowly." Samuals said. "Everyone has their own way of doing things."

And, everyone has his own taste. Comparing the designs of the artists, one can tell that two different people have worked on the pieces. Samuels tends to have a rather blunt, simple style with no fine detail.

Many of her designs are people-oriented — like her facial characteristics that display varying emotions done using the cartoon-strip method.

On the flip side, Nastis says she is inspired by nature and the world around her. This fact is obvious when her work is displayed. One piece features a tree with falling leaves, but in this case, the leaves are actually hearts.

As one of the designers, Samuels does not have one favorite piece — "I like them all." However, both women feel more comforable with the older designs as they have not had much chance to get used to the new line yet.

Nastis is also responsible for the name of the business, Tulip Designs. It was early April, and she was driving around noticing the tulips. Why not Tulip Designs? The name symbolizes something that is new, fresh, alive and growing — exactly how the owners view their business.

It has taken time, but Tulip Designs is growing.

"One of the hardest points was breaking into the market," Samuels said.

"It is really tough when you are starting out because you have to be able to compete with the bigger companies. Basically, what I found was people would rather stick with the bigger companies they knew they could trust or they would rather have a well-known name."

Despite an obvious disadvantage, Tulip Designs has managed to break into the wholesale field. The T-shirts and sweatshirts can be found at such stores as Rainbow, Where The Toys Are, Mad Company and Windsong.

The tree of love and comic-strip faces are just two styles available.

The owners do not deal with one specific type of clientele as the woman cater to all tastes with their wide selection of designs. A children's line has not been started, but the idea has been tossed around for a future project.

One of the biggest projects for the company so far involves the promotional T—shirts created for MMMuffins Inc.

The next step for the company is finding more promotional work as custom work for individuals is too expensive to undertake — both from a financial and space perspective.

The women like working out of their homes and find it advantageous for many reasons.

"If I get home from work and don't feel like drawing, I don't have to. On the other hand, if I get the urge to draw at 10 p.m., I can work until 5 a.m. if I want to," Samuels said.

"I find it comfortable to work out of my home, and sometimes, inspirational."

The next step for the company's growth involves increasing sales. Samuels has been hard at work both calling potential buyers and visiting various retailers.

"I like meeting different types of people, and learning about business," Samuels said.

"The one aspect I don't care for is making that initial contact with people. We don't know each other, so consequently, I feel like I'm peddling my goods."

The owners both agree that they promote an honest, reliable image and can supply a good product and service to retailers. When they do expand, the partners want to maintain the quality and small—townish aspect of their business — the personal, honest characteristics. They are determined not to lose those qualities they feel set them apart from corporations.

To complement these sentiments, the owners say they do not want to lose their feelings of pride and accomplishment as the company's success grows.

"One of the best experiences I have had was the day when I saw someone who I didn't know wearing one of my shirts," Samuels said. "This person wasn't a friend or family, but a customer."

Cherry red, brilliant orange, sunshine yellow and sky blue are used for the summer designs. (Marie-Josee Crete photos)

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Complementary outfits for couples

Jamaican designer styles casual clothes to beat heat

By
BRUCE PARKINSON

"Yehman, you understand," enthused Jamaican designer Ron McKenzie as he and a Canadian reporter compared notes on the problems and privileges of working in the fashion business.

Sharing a conversation, two men discovered, as others have before, that the differences of culture, politics, race and geography are dwarfed by the similarities between people, their common hopes and dreams — and the familiar obstacles that get in the way.

McKenzie has been designing clothes for Jamaicans and tourists in the resort town of Ocho Rios for six years. The industry is quite small on the island, so most of his contact with fellow designers is through the printed word and photography in fashion journals.

He was therefore eager to learn about Canadian designers, what kinds of pressures they face, and the lifestyles they lead.

McKenzie was interested to learn that many talented young Canadian fashion creators, even those whose names have been made familiar by extensive press coverage, live a tenuous existence, endlessly teetering on a financial precipice.

He nodded his head knowingly when the reporter described the most common complaint of young designers — trying to find time for the creative part of their work, and scrambling to learn enough about the business side to be able to keep their head above water.

"You speak the truth. There is never enough time. I need more time, more privacy, to think and create. I'm so busy dealing with customers, making adjustments...."

McKenzie is one half of a team that calls itself Ron-Joy Designs. The other half is Joy Bryan, who was abroad at the time of the interview.

Their small studio and shop serves a varied clientele that is about 60% local and 40% tourist. Much of the work is custom design, with lots of input from the clients.

Whereas designer fashions in North America are generally priced beyond the reach of the average person, McKenzie and Bryan's clothing is reasonably priced, even taking into account the low wages on the island.

"Ron-Joy tries to reach people who are working, who can save some of their salary and buy something nice to wear. Jamaicans are conscious people when it comes to fashion. They are not rich but they like to dress well, they like to step out in something looking good."

They like to look good in pairs too, apparently, as much of Ron-Joy's business is creating complementary outfits for couples.

As one might imagine, there are some natural differences when designing for a tropical climate. For instance, there are no defined seasons, just 12 months of glorious weather, with the odd rainy month or hurricane thrown in for spice.

"We don't have to worry about winter coats here. We just wear casual, comfortable clothes that suit the climate."

McKenzie's first love is fabric.

"You and the fabric work together. You have to feel the fabric, learn the fabric and communicate with the fabric or it will give you trouble."

His first choice in fabric is rayon, as "it suits the climate 24 hours a day."

Bryan does most of the cutting, McKenzie the sewing, and work and thoughts of work keep them busy many hours a day.

"I like to work until it's done, and when I'm not working I'm usually thinking about it. Even now sitting here, my mind is there," he admitted.

McKenzie watched proudly that evening as Ron-Joy designs were modelled for an appreciative audience at a local resort hotel.

The clothes proved his assertion that he likes variety, as the designs played with textures, combined prints and solids and mixed bright colors.

"People don't like to eat chicken continually," he explained. "You need to change the textures sometimes."

McKenzie takes pride in his work, but doesn't take things too seriously. How many designers have you heard say this?

"I want my clothes to be comfortable to sit in. In fact, if you want to sleep in them, then sleep in them — no problem!"

While haute couturiers might turn up their nose at such a statement, McKenzie's attitude towards fashion is refreshing.

"A person wearing clothes should feel happy. They are not just for wearing, they should love you too. And you should feel good in $10 clothes as much as $100 clothes."

McKenzie and Bryan's status as clothing creators leads to certain expectations from local fashion observers.

"People wouldn't like to see me looking rugged. We're expected to be style leaders and people around town look at us as the best-dressed couple. This is a measure of our success, I suppose."

McKenzie is a proud Jamaican, and thinks others should be too.

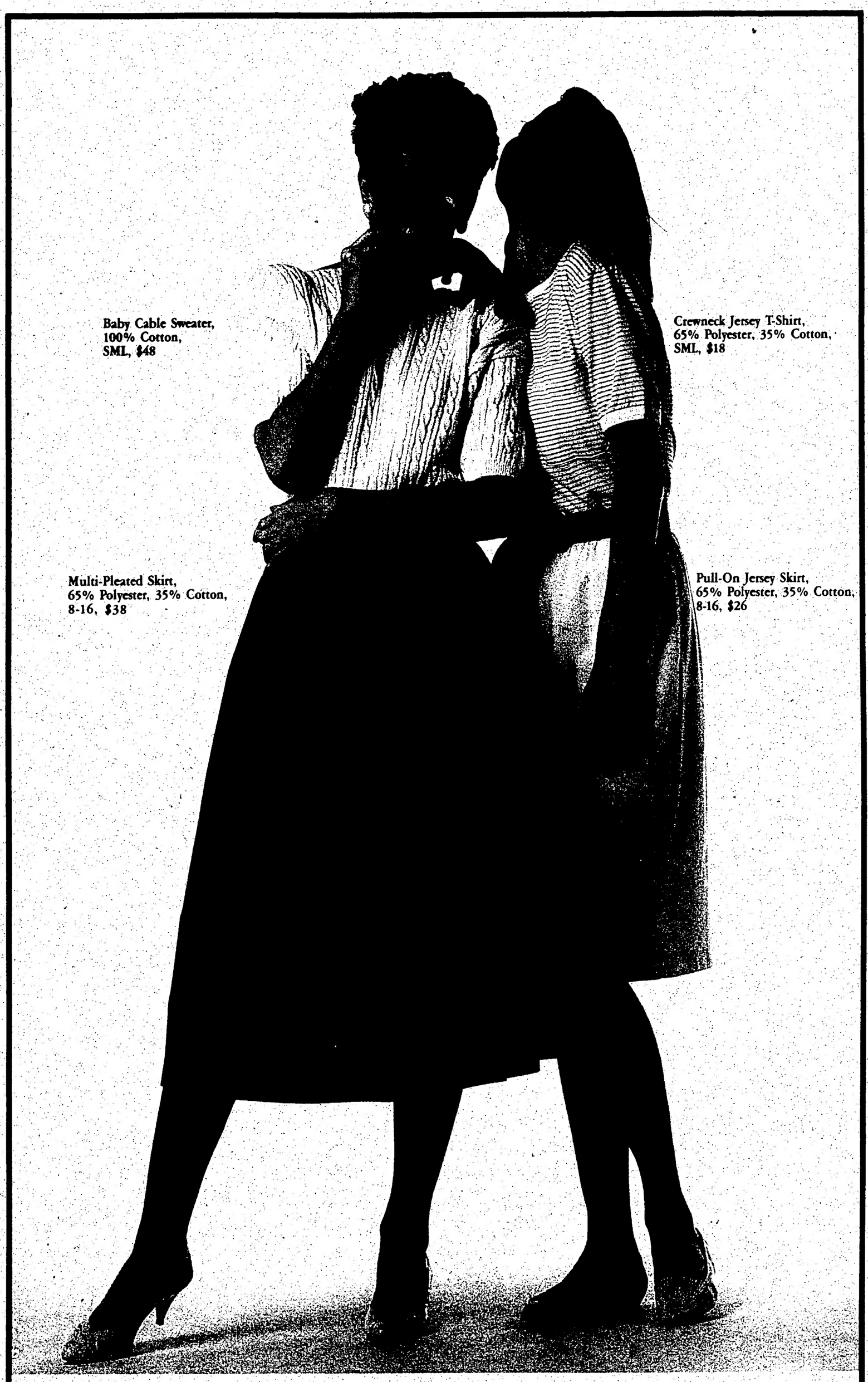
"You need to have your roots. When you lose them you lose the country. It's wonderful to learn about other cultures and share with them, but remember what you are."

He urges tourists visiting the island to get out of the hotel, maybe hire a driver for a day, and try to see the real Jamaica. He promises there will be no regrets.

As for Ron-Joy's future plans, the team would like to raise its profile in Jamaica, and at some point get a big enough line together to approach the North American market. But there's no great hurry, and McKenzie doesn't have stars in his eyes.

"I don't want to run away, be a big success elsewhere," he said.

"I wouldn't mind going there, being successful and coming back, though."



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Fashion

Tropical landscapes among designs

Jamaican artist hand-paints pieces

By
BRUCE PARKINSON

"Some of my friends reckon if they stand up long enough, I'll paint them," said clothing artist Janey Sorton, referring to her unflagging productivity.

Sorton was interviewed during a recent trip to Jamaica, the country where she has resided since kindergarten, and where she finds a receptive audience of tourists and locals for her colorful, hand-painted works.

She uses acrylic fabric paints ("You can't even bleach them out!") to decorate the T-shirts, sundresses and short-and-top combinations that make for comfortable coverings when in the Caribbean sun, or at home dreaming about it.

Sorton's career developed in an unusual way. She has no artistic training, and only really became interested when a friend showed her a fabric painting kit.

"I just picked it up, liked it and went with it."

Ten years later, Sorton's Sprigs & Things shop in Montego Bay is a going concern, and during the tourist season she paints 6½ days a week to keep up with the demand.

"Sometimes I feel like I'm chained to my table, but I still love doing it."

The paintings are eclectic, with parrots, tropical landscapes, spiderwebs, tigers, zebras and flowers among the most common subjects. While many have Jamaican themes, others are prompted by different things.

"I get inspiration from the natural beauty of the island, from tourists and other people coming here — all sorts of different things.

"Generally the ideas come at 3 in the morning and I have to get up and write them down or try and remember them later."

Every article is painted individually, freestyle, though you wouldn't know it by the prices. You couldn't get a mass-produced T-shirt in Toronto for what Sorton charges for a 1-of-a-kind work.

It's not that she doesn't know the value of her designs, she is just satisfied with the price she is charging.

"I get a very good reaction to the prices. People tell me they're about one third of what you would pay in the U.S. or Canada. But I'd rather charge a lower price if I can."

That kind of attitude inspires customer loyalty, and Sorton affirms that she has a lot of repeat customers, despite the fact that 80% are tourists just passing through.

"Many tourists return to Jamaica and they often come back and see me. I get a lot of people who have been told about me from past customers too."

Sorton will also do custom-design, if patrons have a particular idea or want a painting on a fabric color not available.

A growing part of her business is "crafty things" — painted dishes, ornamental boxes, earrings and the like, that allow her to do finer, more detailed work.

The acrylic fabric paints have been used to create a startling jungle scene.

Janey Sorton's designs delight tourists in Jamaica. (Bruce Parkinson photos)

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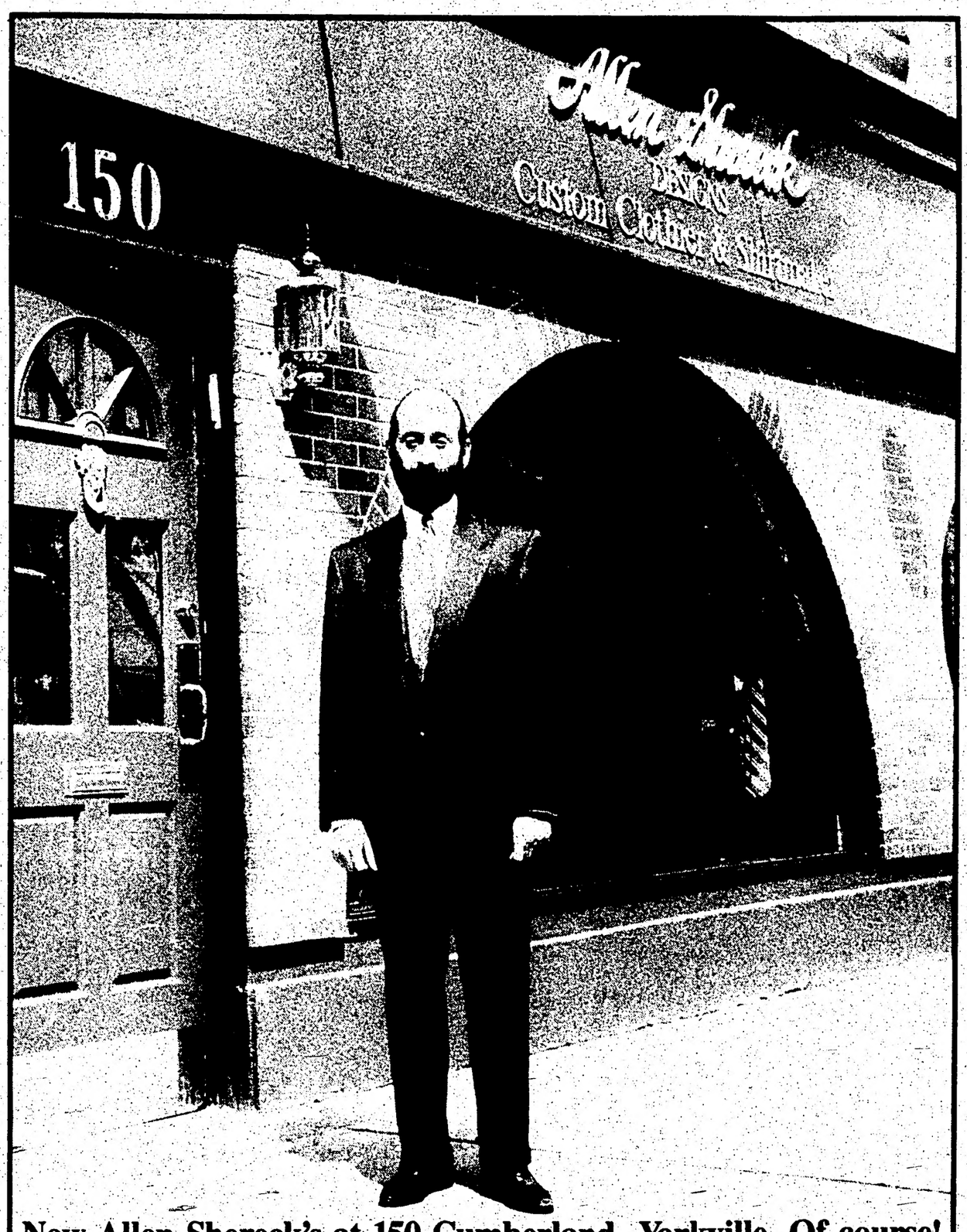

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Clothing must be functional

Pappano's styles reflect return to tailored look

By
VIVIEN SHARON

Lucy Pappano, designer of the Selina collection, is a recognized talent in the Canadian fashion world.

Her contemporary dresses and coordinated separates for Spring/Summer 89 are streamline, quality-conscious designs that are appealing to women in the 35- to 45-age range.

A nominated finalist in the Festival of Canadian Fashion's annual Woolmark Awards since its inception, Pappano, 32, has been the name and creative force behind Selina since she joined M. Baig International in 1983, the company that manufactures the line in Toronto.

Pappano, who was born and raised in Etobicoke and whose family background is Italian, openly admits she never had a burning ambition to be a designer.

"I couldn't find what I liked in stores, so by grade 9 I decided to sew my own," said Pappano in the offices of M. Baig International, located in Toronto's fashion district recently.

Somewhat aghast, she recalls the unflattering uniform she had to wear at the Catholic high school she attended in Etobicoke.

"It was yellow and olive green . . . definitely awful for my coloring," said Pappano, who gained technical fabric expertise by working part-time at Fabricland as a teenager.

After attending one year of fine arts at York University, she applied to both the interior and fashion design courses at Ryerson Polytechnical Institute. The fashion design department accepted her first, so she registered.

She was selected on the strength of her illustrations, not her fashion savvy, she says.

"I always loved to draw, but I wasn't a clothes addict," stated the affable and down-to-earth designer, who was wearing a classically cut, 2-piece cocoa ensemble in lightweight wool.

"I had sewing and art ability, but not an incredible desire to create outstanding designs," said Pappano, who, ironically, was an award-winning Ryerson graduate.

For her, fashion design is not an artform; it performs a function.

"If you can't move in a garment, it isn't worth buying," states the designer, who heads a design team including two patterncutters, which, she says, is "a specialty unto itself."

Pappano, who purchases fabric several times a year in Paris, Milan and New York, creates a new collection each season by first deciding upon a fabric grouping, then selecting a color grouping, and lastly, designing a body shape.

She says the Selina label appeals to the fashion-conscious consumer who doesn't want to shock or have her own personality obscured by overwhelming detail.

The Spring Selina collection includes 80 different pieces, and can be found at such Canadian stores as Fred Green Clothiers, Holt Renfrew, Harry Rosen, Holly's, Heritage House, Joy's Village Shop, Your Choice and major department stores. The summer line is less extensive, at 30 pieces.

Fabrics for spring include lightweight wools, viscose, linen, silk herringbone, cotton knit and rayon prints. Navy is the preferred shade, followed by black, cocoa, eggshell, Irish green and some brights.

She has designed form-conscious shifts with cap sleeves and keyhole necklines, and a slew of sundresses of cornflower blue and geranium pink in which necklines dip and waists are belted but not cinched, with jaunty pockets sitting at the hipline.

Pappano's jacket and dress combinations signal a return to tailored clothes, called ensemble dressing. The updated "suit" with a spring dress or bustier over which slips a boxy little jacket is smart and sexy.

We also find a revival of the tea dresses in rayon, which bears a trace of vintage sensibilities with bodices of soft drape and tuck. Hemlines in this grouping are long and detail minimal.

Pappano's sashed, hip long, wrap jacket of sportive houndstooth reflects clean lines as does her double-breasted vest designed to fit snug around the body. The idea is to wear it as an alternative to the jacket or under the jacket.

Trousers of width and movement are highly visible throughout the Selina collection. Skirts feature the new eggshape drop waist style at a conservative 25 inches. Others are longer and leaner at the 32-inch length.

"There are alternatives to the mini skirt," she asserted.

"You build a wardrobe, you don't discard each season," said Pappano, who is a firm believer in buying one quality piece rather than spending money on frivolous items that are not made to last.

Fashion

Stephens has knitted career to be coveted

By MARIE MOORE

For Toronto-based knitwear designer Donna Stephens, life just gets better and better.

Her colorful, quality knits are selling in department and better clothing stores across Canada and her label is fast becoming one of the country's most respected, affordable fashion lines.

Praised for her fluid silhouettes that take a modern working woman through an action-packed schedule, Stephens brings a lifetime of experience to the Canadian fashion industry.

Although she has only been in business here for four short years, she already has the kind of highly successful 20-year career in New York City of which many have only dreamed. She has worked for some of the largest manufacturers in the United States and her clothes have been sold at Bloomingdales, Macy's and Saks.

Born in Vancouver and raised in Edmonton, Stephens was the eldest of four children. Her interest in fashion became apparent at the age of four.

"As soon as I heard about designers, my fate was sealed. I never wanted to be anything else," she said.

After graduating from high school in 1956 (where she enjoyed a brief stint as an Edmonton Eskimos cheerleader), she headed to New York City and studied fashion design at the Pratt Institute. She completed one year of the 4-year program and then quit to get married. For the next three years, she worked as a showroom model for a furrier.

"What a jungle that was. I aged from 19 to 50 overnight, but what an introduction to the garment business! When things were slow, I'd do the bookkeeping. It has really come in handy over the years."

Finally, she set up a business of her own and in 1964, with a line selling right across the U.S., she took 10 days off to have her daughter, Sally.

"I was cutting samples — I had to stand at the table sideways — when I went into labor. I finally arrived at the hospital at 10 p.m., after delivering my samples along the way."

Four years later, when Stephen's marriage and partnership with her husband broke up, she closed the factory.

As a single parent who needed the security of earning a steady salary, she went to work as a "glorified pattern-maker" for Loomtogs, a medium-sized New York manufacturer. She'd only been there a few months when their knitwear designer quit mid-season, without notice.

Even though she knew little about knitwear and even less about the technology behind it, Stephens grabbed at the opportunity.

"The boss asked me whether I could design knitwear and I said yes. I learned quickly."

After that, she moved several times to successively larger and more prestigious manufacturers. At the giant Beldoch-Popper, she designed the licenced Pierre Cardin knitwear collection. She also travelled extensively, learning about the knitwear techniques utilized in Europe and the Orient.

The designer had no thoughts of returning to Canada until she met Calgary oilman Ken Stephens and fell in love. They were married in 1978 and moved to Toronto, a compromise between Calgary and New York.

Her return to active design began in 1984 when a friend asked her to create a sweater for a Christmas fashion catalogue. The sweater sold so well that she was once again hooked on knitwear.

"That first fall, I sold 800 pieces. The second fall sold 3,000 pieces and the next fall, 7,000. Last year, we decided to break some new ground, and as a result of that decision, Fall 89 should be our strongest ever."

Stephen's new "invention" — yes, she is patenting the process — combines wool with a cotton lining, opening up her label to a whole new world of customers who are allergic to or irritated by wool.

"It's not sewn-in, rather, it's intrinsically knitted into the fabric by a process that's exclusive to The Inside Story hang-tag collection. No wool will actually touch the skin, making this new product a pleasure for women to wear."

Watch for this label at your favorite boutique.

Donna Stephens has been designing quality knitwear for many years.

Hi-tech machines herald a new era in knitwear

To some people, hi-tech equipment can be intimidating, but to Toronto designer Donna Stephens, state-of-the-art knitting machines enable her to create the richly colored, intricately patterned pieces that she could only dream of producing just a few years ago.

"Knits are so exciting. They're creative and technical at the same time because of the new machines we have which have opened up an endless realm of design possibilities."

Her process begins when she conceives a design, puts it on graph paper and hands the finished copy over to her knitting engineer, Albert Hooker.

Stephens admits that inspiration may come from pottery or woven fabric, as well as from the many countries she visits with her husband.

Hooker then copies the design onto a similar graph in his computer. This is a laborious and time-consuming job as each stitch is represented by its own square. With 10 squares to each inch, the front of the garment alone can contain 72,000 stitches.

Once he and Stephens are happy with the final design, Hooker then puts the computerized program into a cassette tape, which is then put into the knitting machine.

By now, Stephens has carefully chosen up to six different yarns — the industry standard is three — that she requires for the desired effect. This may seem simple but, in reality, it's a critical step that demands extensive knowledge and experience.

For example, one must know how a particular yarn will "take" color, and what strengths and sizes are needed to hold a stitch just the right way.

"When I see that new pattern coming off the machine for the first time, it's like giving birth!"

Next, comes a little friendly persuasion when Stephens takes her pattern to the factories that contract her work. Not all manufacturers are making full use of their machines' capabilities and find it difficult to achieve the look that Stephens is trying to develop.

Eventually though, it all works out just fine and Stephens is able to provide her customer with quality knitwear that is both original and exclusive.

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Fashion

Teutloff's styles have a timeless quality

A red jacket of silk and linen tops Lutz Teutloff's print dress of viscose and acetate.

By
BRUCE PARKINSON

In the business of designing sophisticated women's wear for more than 25 years, West German designer Lutz Teutloff has certainly seen many trends come and go. But though she may give the odd nod to a passing fancy by incorporating an element of it in her designs, she could never be described as trendy.

"It's a never-ending kind of look," said Jaci Kidd, who represents the highly successful international designer in the Toronto market. "The designs are sophisticated and classy, and you will never be able to say they are out of style."

Kidd has found success herself with the line, which she describes as having a "good, loyal following" in this city. That loyalty was demonstrated by the capacity turnout at St. Lawrence Hall for the showing of Teutloff's Spring/Summer 89 collection.

Under the gas-fired chandeliers of the grand old hall, a large variety of designs were displayed. Created for coordination, the garments would make an easy transition from office wear to evening wear, and their stylish looks, striking without being too flamboyant, could find favor with a wide range of customers.

The warm-month collection utilized cool wool, crepes, linen, cotton and silk, with many items constructed of blends of silk/linen and cotton/linen.

Teutloff didn't limit herself to just a few colors or patterns. From pure whites to mustard, sand, purple, bright green, navy, khaki, red . . . the list of hues could go on. The designer also employed a variety of plaids, unusual checks and floral prints.

The patterns were often contrasted with plain fabrics for effect. Thus a bold floral dress is softened by a monochrome blazer, or a subtly-checked pair of slacks is accented by a startling black-and-white plaid jacket. There are fabric contrasts as well, with wool pieces combining with viscose items.

The business suits marry elements from both men's and women's wear, with color-coordination, washed silk blouses the norm underneath. Jackets emphasize the waist, the shoulderline is feminine and reduced.

The Teutloff line is one that a devoted follower could build an entire wardrobe around. Not only is there a variety due to the size of the collection — which includes overcoats and jackets, trouser suits, varying-length skirts and Bermuda shorts — but there is a variety of moods displayed to suit many occasions. While the suits may borrow from the men, a group of flowing snow-white dresses, decorated with elaborate embroideries, are nothing but feminine.

Short jackets are shown with wide, high-waisted trousers, in an attractive alternative to the short skirt. A wide belt completes the outfit.

Kidd said Teutloff customers range in age from 25 to 65, and the show proved that the collection could effectively perform the difficult task of appealing to such a wide demographic.

Retail prices range from $150 for blouses, $200 for skirts and pants, up to $800 or $900 for a suit.

Teutloff creations are available at Alan Cherry, Bottega d'Arolfi, Bottega Bertolluci, Donna D'oggi, Gente and others.

This dress of embroidered linen and cotton creates a cool, classic for withstanding the heat of summer. It is from Lutz Tuetloff's collection.

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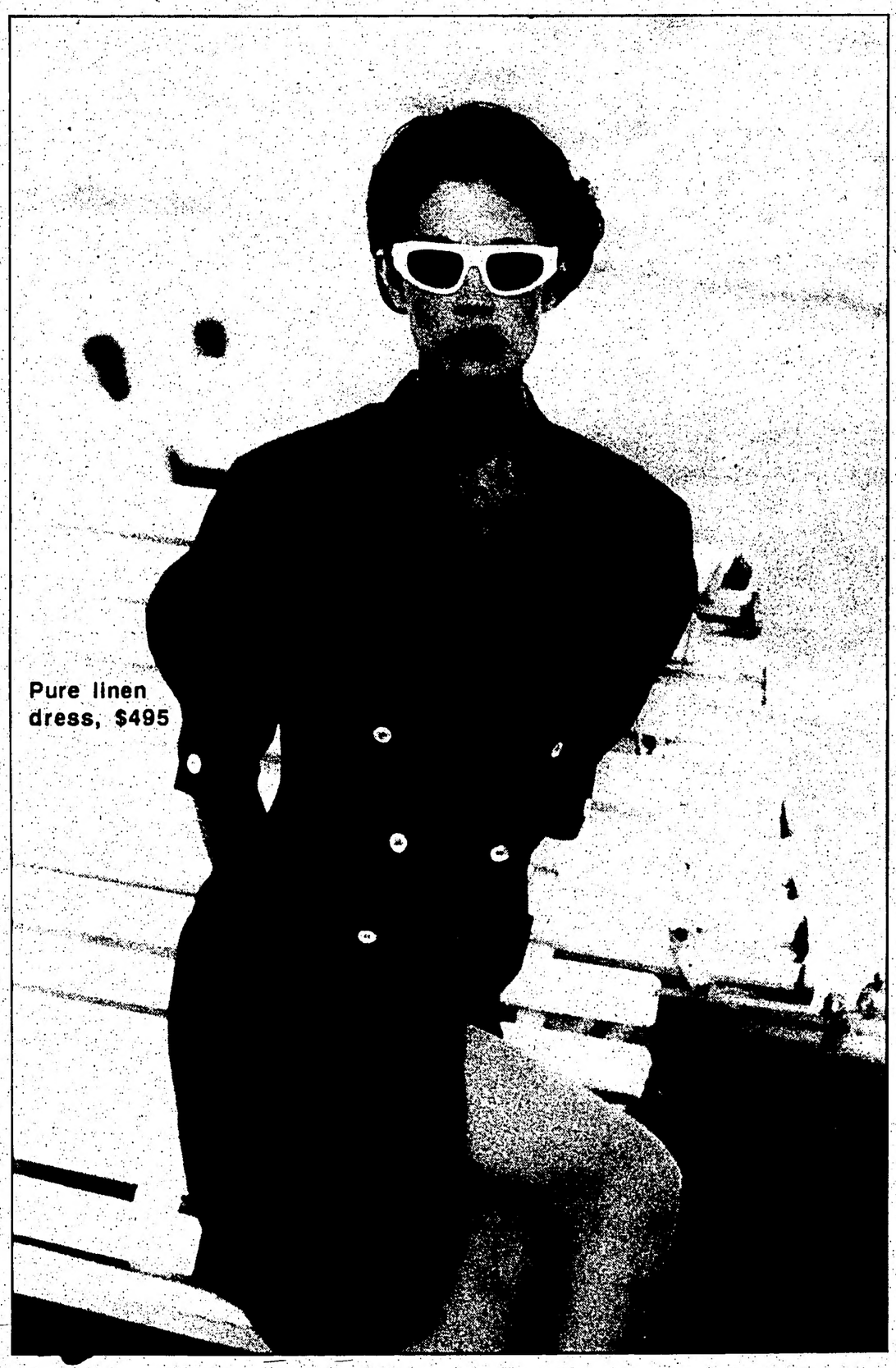

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Minimum of four pieces in groupings

Shirtmate manufactures versatile cotton separates

By
VIVIEN SHARON

Casual comfort is hot for this season in a collection manufactured by the Shirtmate Apparel Group that focuses on cool cottons that breathe.

Shirtmate, a division of Munsingwear Inc. of Minnesota, a public company in the U.S., produces comfortable attire for the junior contempra market.

Its labels include Oblique, Sweet Baby Jane and Jack & Jones, and can be found in major department stores, chains, and independent stores across the country.

Jeff Morein, 34, Toronto-area sales representative for Shirtmate, feels the strength of his product is in its versatility.

"Every styling group incorporates a minimum of four pieces that is designed to coordinate together," said Morein in his downtown office recently.

Whether a grouping includes a tank top, vest, full T-shirt or short-sleeve cardigan with a mock neck, the overall effect is the same: each piece can be teamed with four styles of walking shorts and pants that can be mixed and matched to multiply the casual look.

"We focus on 3 or 4 color groupings that interweave with other groups that cover the same color story. All go handsomely together which is the central theme of our product line."

Brights are the rage among teens and young women this season. Purple, hot pink, orange, emerald, royal, turquoise and red have been particularly popular this season among the junior, teen and young adult market. Tan, black, white and navy run a close second among this age group.

Eighty-five percent of Shirtmate's product is dyed in one factory in the Orient, he says. This ensures that the coloration process is coordinated and controlled. The remainder of the line is manufactured in Montreal.

Stripes and solids appear to be the predominant motifs for Spring 89, followed by a flurry of polka dots for mid-to-late summer. A wilk paintbrush motif adds a light, whimsical look for summer in the Oblique collection.

Sweet Baby Jane, which is geared for the junior and teenage market, features a navy-and-white nautical collection of casual tops, shorts and wide pants in 100% cotton that is as affordable as it is fashion forward. It also comes in red/white and emerald/white combinations. In this grouping, shorts cost $24, retail, and tops, $17 to $20.

Jack & Jones, a smaller and more specialized line, features a collection of short-sleeved blouses in rayon or cotton jersey, with matching pants or shorts. Blouses, that can be easily and comfortably worn to the office, range in price from $30 to $40, retail.

Oblique, a line which consists of more than 70 pieces for spring alone, is known for its extensive collection of 100% cotton pants, short sets and wide range of casual summer blouses.

"All our lines depict fun, stylish dressing at affordable prices," Morein said.

Explosive line is bang on

By
SHARI SCHWARTZ

The tagline says Handle With Care and indeed Explosive will make a bang as one of the hottest lines of sportswear this summer.

Explosive consists of tank dresses, coat dresses, jumpsuits, skirts, T-shirts, mock tops, jackets, shorts, pants, rompers and 2-piece suits.

"It is moderately priced, 100% cotton, casual and dressy wear," said Bev Stern of the Bev Stern Agency, exclusive distributors of Explosive in Ontario.

"The line has a wide range because people want to have a lot of different styles and colors in their summer wardrobes."

According to Stern, neon solids and neon accents are popular this summer as is garment-washed twill and stonewash denim. Explosive colors range from the brights — purple and fuchsia, to the earth tones — mustard and khaki.

This summer the Explosive line features jersey mock tops with detailed back buttons and double stitching, short-sleeved marble mix mock tops, cross-over tank tops in lycra and cotton, and T-shirts with an "art" look in paisley or batik print.

The Dirty Dancing theme returns with cuffed, jean shorts and denim bicycle jackets.

Twill walking shorts are highlighted by contrast stitch detail on the pockets. There are also bicycle shorts with matching racer tank tops. Pull-on to-the-knee shorts in prints and solids can be rolled up to different lengths.

The romper is sleeveless and belted with a pleated front, scooped pockets, cuffed shorts and racer back. It comes in several different colors including khaki, purple and clay.

Explosive Capri pants are prominent this summer in fuchsia, white, purple and black neons and stripes with draw string or elastic waists. Capri pants also come in solid neon colors such as orange, lime and pink.

"Put these pants together with rollup socks for a fun summer look."

For a dressier look, there are silk and linen coat dresses with portrait collars and knee-length skirts with darts in the front and slits in the back. A 2-piece cotton-twill suit has a double-breasted jacket, six gold buttons, an insert of marble and portrait collar.

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Couple didn't clasp at straws

Team buckles down to produce belts

By
MOURA WOLPERT

Belts as jewelry? Indeed, yes.

That's just what Lee Lessem had in mind when she began "playing around" with designs in the basement of her Hamilton home while her husband, Brian, went to work as manager with a clothing manufacturer.

That was almost three years ago and the Lessems had recently arrived from South Africa.

Now, a mere 18 months after going into business manufacturing and marketing Lee's belts, the Lessems not only sell from Prince Edward Island to Vancouver, but they've captured the top five percent of the Canadian market.

Both are still in their 30s. Exuberant and outgoing and a self-described "jack of all trades," Mrs. Lessem is a fine arts graduate, a former fiction illustrator, who spent four years as a designer for a belt manufacturer. Her "quiet and shy" husband (his words not hers) confesses he holds a B.Sc. in textiles and is an associate of the Clothing and Footwear Institute of London. He's the brains behind the business.

Their success has been remarkable and even though it's still early in the season, they apologize for being sold out of summer stock, "even most of our samples."

But there's enough left in the tiny Main St. office that also serves as their showroom to dazzle the visitor — from classically elegant buckles in gold and silver to the most exotic and sumptuous designs for the party season later in the year.

They are handcrafted in Italy while the straps are manufactured in the adjoining workshop from the finest suedes and leathers imported mostly from Italy, with some from England and Australia.

The belts are marketed as jewelry and are expensive. A spray of tiny roses with rhinestones in the centre of delicate, handcrafted gold petals, for instance, will sell for about $300, while the strap costs $40 to $50.

A pair of 14 kt gold cheetahs with rhinestone collar would sell for between $195 and $200, while the classic buckles sell for about $50, $90 with strap.

For summer, the designer suggests the classic designs, geometric shapes, triangles, octagons, anything simple.

Summer straps come in glossy patents — plain or embossed and in an astonishing range of colors such as oyster and coral, fuchsia and purple, bright pink, yellow, red and green as well as the more traditional white, navy and black. Soft suedes and leathers come in similar colors. All straps are contoured.

A practical person, she has also designed a range of simple, soft-cover buckles in matching suedes and leathers, as well as wooden buckles. These are especially suitable for summer or daytime wear. Replace it after work with a dressy buckle — all are light in weight and easily carried in a handbag — and you're ready to go out to dinner.

Some buckles also come with matching earrings and neckpieces while belts come in different widths, from the very wide to narrow enough to fit through pant loops.

Mrs. Lessem has one word of caution: with these belts, select the rest of your jewelry carefully!

"A woman can wear jewelry as long as it is not in competition with the belt." Usually, "a simple chain is enough."

Buckles come in 14 kt gold, silver, pewter, handbeaten brass and other metals, and in three distinct groups — classic, glitzy party-wear and a range of ethnic pieces. Twice a year the Lessems go overseas, mostly to Italy, where they buy the finest leathers in the newest designs, and search out craftsmen.

In Toronto, belts by Lee Lessem Designs, Inc., can be found at Creeds, Avanti, Cameron Jeffries, Little Lanes; Lewis Howard in Willowdale and Sandra's of Sherwood in Mississauga. The designs are also found at Bill Newman's and Deborah Harley in Hamilton; The Oyster in Burlington; Bruel's in Oakville; Biba in Kitchener; Sonny's in London, E. A. Lee in Vancouver and Nini Haupt in Montreal.

This decorative belt with a buckle done in gold with rhinestones may be worn to a summer wedding.

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Fashion

Hats off to Bolero and its creators

By
STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

"It's simple, classic, fashionable and functional. It's affordable, colorful and suitable."

What Matthew Elfassy is taking about is a hat.

This is not just an ordinary hat — this is the Matsu collapsible Bolero designed by Elfassy.

The name Matsu is derived from the names of the two people who made the product a success. Mat is from Matthew and su comes from Suzanne, his mother, who produced the first prototype for him.

The 27-year-old owner of Think Big Time, the 1-man company that produces the hat, began in sales at 12 with a newspaper route. At that time, Elfassy was not to know that the training he received would follow him through for years.

He spent several summers working in his father's picture framing and art store before moving into the aluminum-siding business. From there, he attended Seneca College and York University gaining an extensive business background and his real estate licence.

Elfassy spent nearly six months in Europe before returning to work in a bank. Still on the move, he left the bank to work in production control in the video industry.

He also established a telemarketing division for a video display manufacturer. It was at this point that he thought there must be more to life.

So why a hat?

"I had seen a version that is made in Europe but it is a lot more expensive. However, the product was doing very well but I thought I could improve the esthetics and improve the product. I am a quality fanatic."

"When I saw the hat, I liked the idea. With all the skin cancer and other problems caused by too much sun, hats have become more popular. Overall, women simply like to wear a hat," he said.

"However, the one problem with that is the hat either has to be on your head, hanging down your back or in the closet. It is comparable to a baseball hat but if you don't want to wear it, it's very easy to fold up and put it in a purse or a pocket."

The Bolero is available in seven solid colors — fuchsia, blue, yellow, red, green, white and black. Elfassy now is planning to expand his color spectrum to include a black-and-white polka dot and a black-and-white striped version.

The material is 100% cotton and it is stretched over a bendable metal. The hat may be spot cleaned.

"It is convenient. It's lightweight, fashionable and it retails for about $15."

It was the New Ventures program that helped Elfassy start his fashion-accessory business, Think Big Time.

"I have always liked Peter Gabriel and especially his Big Time song on his So album. The Think comes into play because I have always wanted to make it big time. I believe the name is positive, motivating and enthusiastic — always think big time, that idea."

When the first prototype was completed by his mother, a positive attitude was definitely needed.

"It was a floral print on a blue background. It was totally deformed, and it wouldn't sit right — it looked like a tea warmer," Elfassy said with a smile.

"Everytime that prototype was shown to people they said it would never sell. Eventually, we got into better fabric but it is still a challenge to produce the hats into something affordable."

Due to the success of the hat and the demand for the product, Elfassy has two new styles on the drawing board and he is also planning a fall line. A lightweight streamlined visor, available in seven solid colors, is already to go for summer.

"Everything is moving very fast. I'm the type of person that still believes in the handshake and that the word is better than a piece of paper, but I'm finding that you have to be quick with a product to stay on top."

The product can be found at Swimsuit Eceteria, Fred Green's, Boutique Monet and a host of other boutiques.

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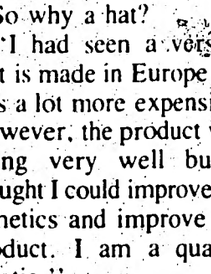

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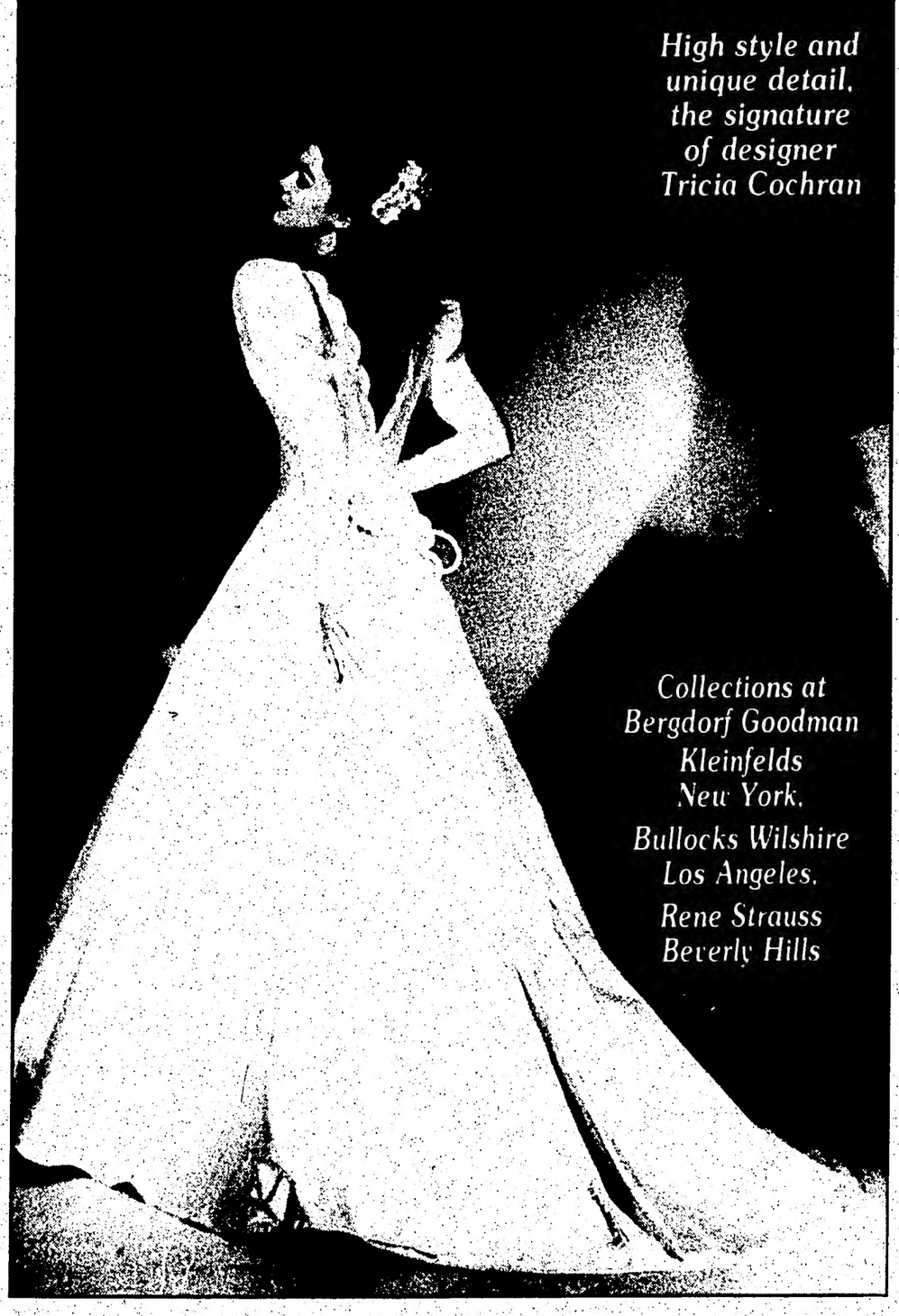

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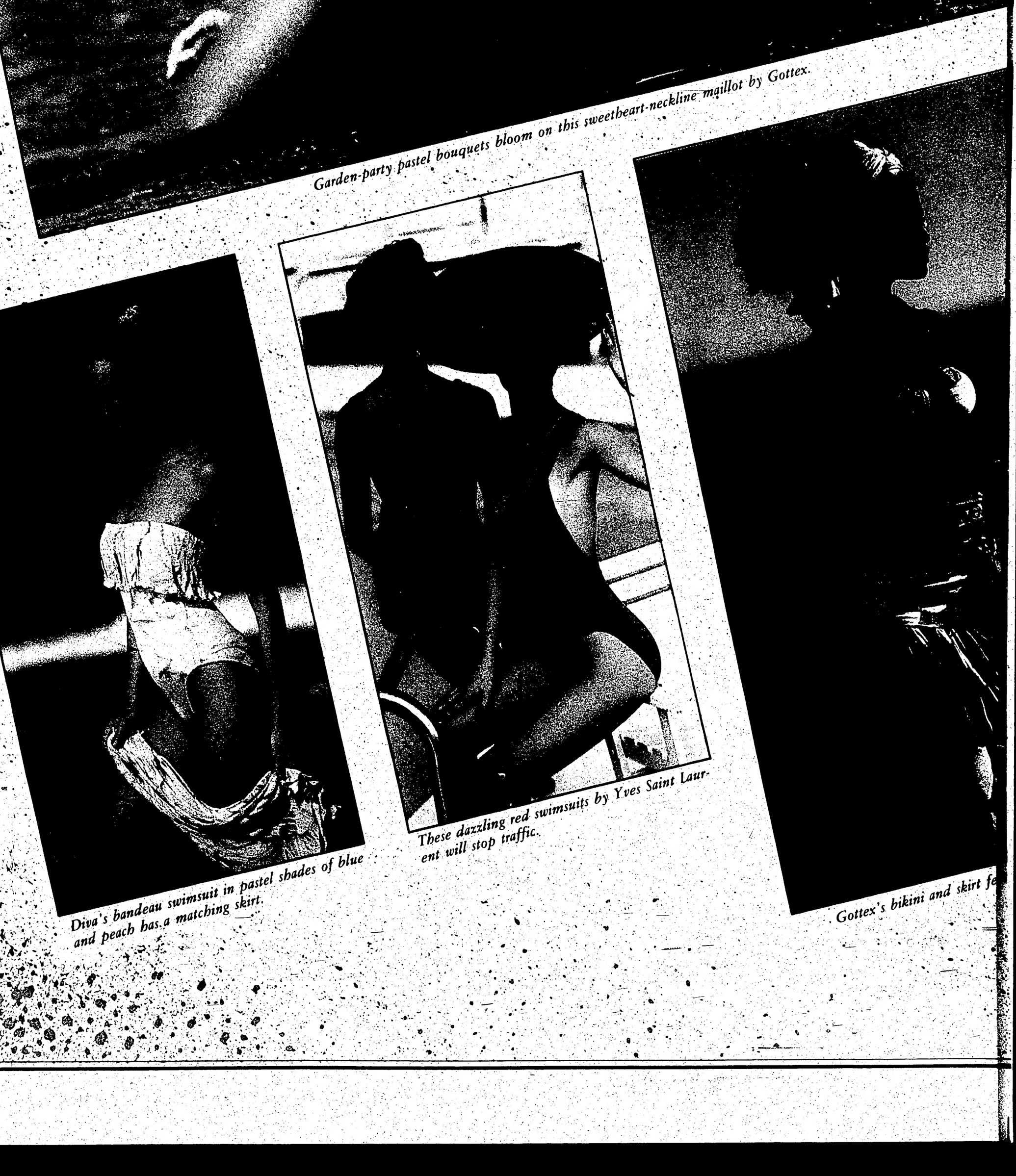

Garden-party pastel bouquets bloom on this sweetheart-neckline maillot by Gottex.

Diva's bandeau swimsuit in pastel shades of blue and peach has a matching skirt.

These dazzling red swimsuits by Yves Saint Laurent will stop traffic.

Gottex's bikini and skirt fe

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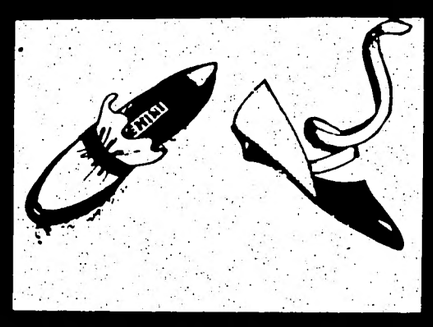

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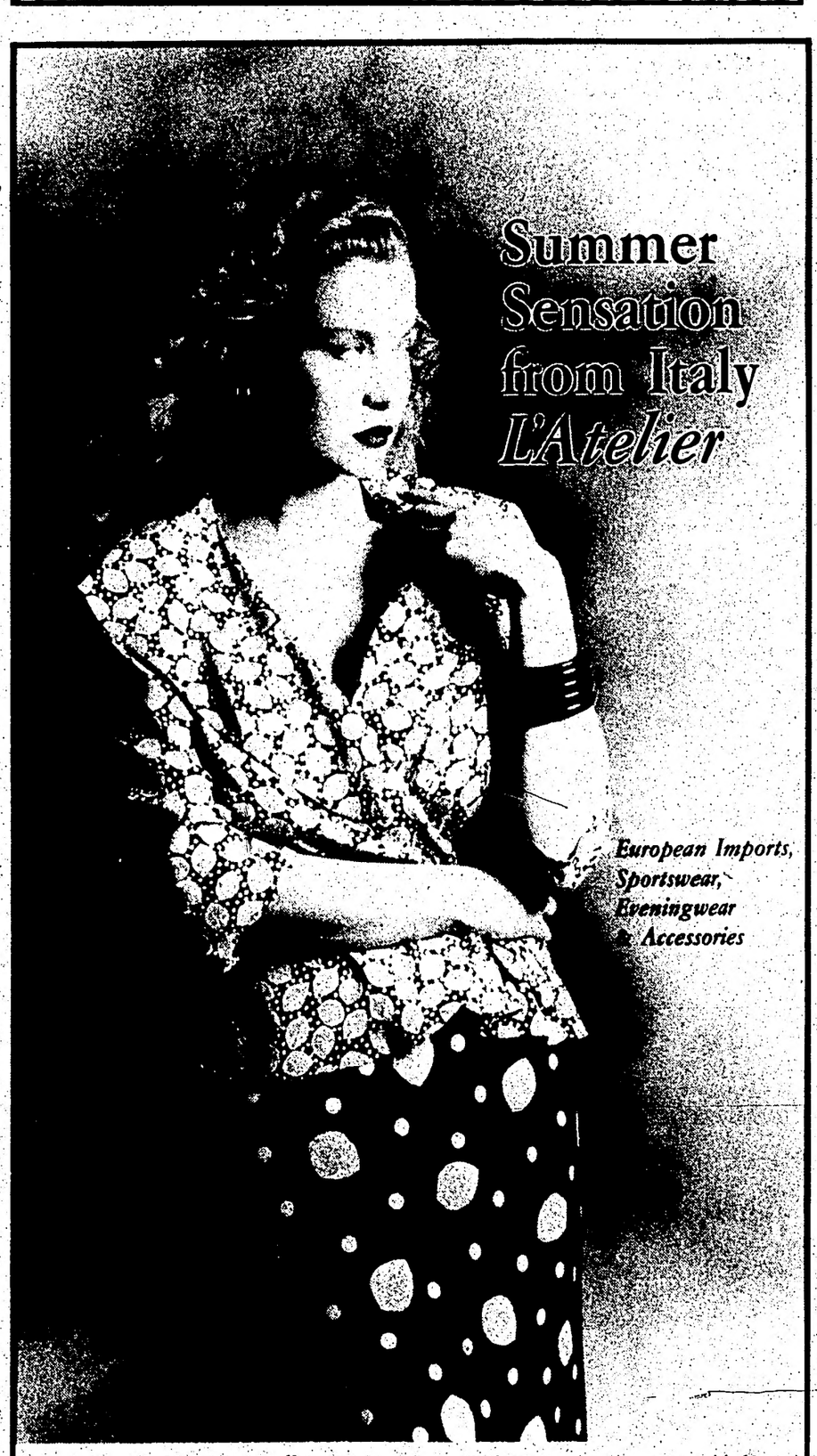

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Splish Splash Make huge waves with Phantom's line

By MARIE MOORE

Lifestyle for Phantom dives into the 89 season with high spirit and inventive design.

Color themes range from brights, with flashes of neon, to the ever-popular nautical theme and pastels. Patterns include the tropical waves, spring floral, abstract, watercolors, marine club, illusions, floral fantasy, fireworks and heat wave prints.

Purple and pink seem to be the dominant shades with black and white backgrounds, borders and solids complementing most suits.

The neons feature acid green and hot pink accents with basic black. It's a hot young look.

Silhouettes are sensual to sensible. Racer backs, spliced tanks, bandeaus and brassiere cuts top the line-up. Many designs are high cut to lengthen and slim the appearance of legs.

Highlighting accents include bows, blouson styling, wide border trims, cupping or side-pleated suits, crinkle fabrics, shirring, lifebuoy motifs, ruffles, wrapping and stripes.

Making a big splash is the rubber texture fabric which is zipped together for a sophisticated scuba look. Suits are also composed of nylon/lycra blends or cotton/poly/lycra blends.

Phantom has focused on a youthful, vibrant look with built-in elegance for the more conservative, demonstrating the skill of combining fashion and fit.

For example, leg lines are available in three lengths. The high-cut style takes the fabric right to the hip, while the regular line stops half way between the hipbone and crease of the leg.

A new, lower leg line is still flattering — but fits to the natural crease. It's a gentle, more modest approach for the missy customer.

"Support has become an important factor, too," said Ina Jackson, Phantom Industries' national sales manager.

"We're lining an incredibly high percentage of our suits now. We feel it's necessary because often when the lighter colors get wet, they do become semi-see-through. Lining eliminates the problem.

"A liner is also used to help hold the suit's shape. When techniques like draping, pleating and cupping are used, lining is a major factor in the construction."

Jackson also explained that our aging population and market has resulted in further adjustments to the Phantom line. Power-net lining (made from the same type of fabric used to create girdles) "smoothes out the jigglies and improves the tone of the figure.

"This allows women in their 30s and 40s with newborns or young families (another sign of the times) to wear the fashionable suits they love with all the secrets hidden on the inside," she said.

"Angel-foam bras, which are soft, fibre-filled and molded (no seams) also assist. Their natural shaping won't dent when you lie on your tummy and really are a plus for most women."

The easy-wear, easy-care theme headlines a collection of leisure, street and holiday wear, also from the Lifestyles catalogue. It's less expensive and less constructed than active sportswear with an emphasis on comfort.

The solid woven cotton, cotton interlock and terry groupings pack well with wrinkle-resistant qualities. In the street-wear segment are playsuits, rompers, halter dresses, crop tops, cover-ups, camisoles, skirts, shorts and sundresses. Pastels and mid-tone solids and nautical colors and stripes dominate.

The label is available across Canada at Eaton's, Simpsons and The Bay as well as the following boutiques: Bikini Village and San Fransisco Maillot in Montreal; Holiday Funwear, Just Cruisin and Woodwards in Vancouver, and The Fashion Nook, Fashion Is, The Beach House, Sun Chasers and Legs Beautiful all in the Toronto area.

It's anchors away in Lifestyle's Marine Club grouping.

Jantzen's men's line versatile, functional

By STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

For Summer 89, men can look forward to more functional swimwear that caters to every age group.

Don Wilson, regional sales manager for Jantzen, displayed a variety of shorts and tops, colorful tanks and Ts, briefs, jams and action wear for the beach.

"Although there is not too much detailing, all have pockets and draw cords so they can double as shorts."

More and more, the men's swim line is progressing from simply beachwear to outfits that are adaptable to both the beach and everyday wear, he says.

The fabrics that have moved to the forefront for summer are nylon, lycra and 100% woven nylon known as tactique. Today's material is designed for the comfort and adaptability of the customer.

Wilson says one benefit is the fact that water beads and falls off the suit instead of leaving the suit soaking wet. The time it takes to dry is considerably less than normal beachwear and the fabric holds its color.

On the color charts for summer, Jantzen is using rich blue, dusty pink, sunshine yellow, a 3-color combination of blue, tourquoise and yellow or navy, white and red, among others.

For instance, this year's big seller is the draw string short trunk with a matching top. One such outfit featured navy horizontal stripes that were offset with wide sky blue panels and a red panel for the draw cord. The coordinating shirt had vertical navy stripes, a sky blue side panel and a red pocket.

Wilson said the detail is in the design rather than the detailing. For example, the collar of the matching shirt may be varied from either a crew to a flap neck, the sleeves are altered in length and the pockets differ in size and number.

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Splish Splash Diva's colorization will suit your mood

By
STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

Swimming to the top of the line in this year's beachwear collection is the Israeli manufacturer Diva.

Arlene Waldman of Fashion Makers, a Toronto-based firm which imports Diva to Canada, said the designer went "wild" with the 89 styles.

To begin with, the designer has used a furnished colorization scheme which is fairly new to the line. The biggest sellers so far are the floral prints on black backgrounds that produce a collage effect.

Other popular colors are royal blue, bright lemon, bold shades of purple and lilac and a rich mahogany.

"Of course the primary colors were incorporated into our color direction," Waldman said. "Navy has been a popular shade basically because people are tired of black, but they still want a color that is slimming and hides a lot. Black is still a traditional though."

The type of fabric has changed from spandex blends to cotton. Knitwear is also featured in this year's selection.

"There has been a move from the bikini to the one piece but the bandeau will always be a classic for those who want to avoid tan lines," Waldman said.

"However, with outfits like the sports bikini, the straps are wider — both to avoid the sun and to lend extra support to the serious swimmer. They are functional and gorgeous."

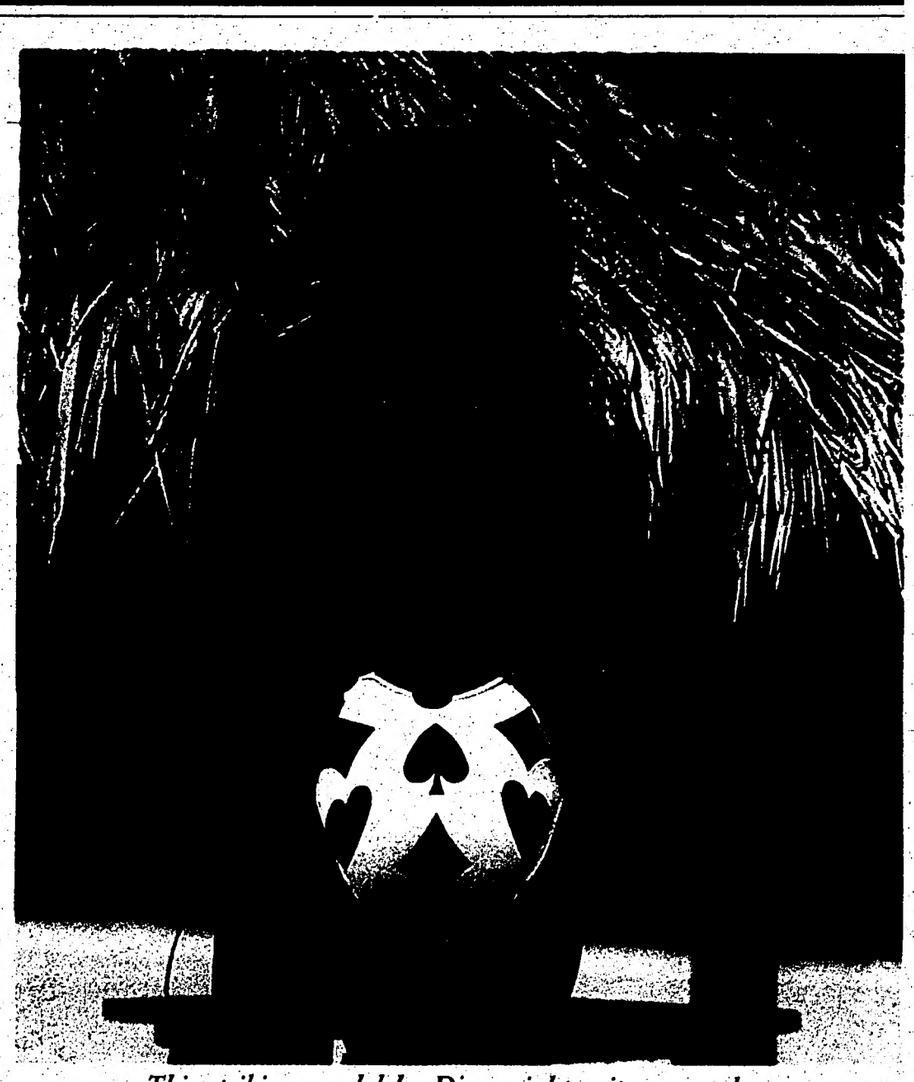
This year, the outfits feature legs that are not cut quite so high and low-cut backs.

"There has been a definite movement away from a lot of glitz. Most of our outfits have very little detail. Instead, what we have done is experiment with the cut or the pattern of the suit."

Some of Diva's suits do feature a floral trim, buckles or a little nail-head studding, but, for the most part, it is the style of the suit that catches the eye.

Some of the unique cuts that are available include two piecers that are made into a one piece with see-through netting, off-the-shoulder suits with criss-cross straps on the back, and a bikini with a skater's tutu fringe on the bottoms.

Diva not only offers creations that ask for attention, but it also supplies a full line of exercise activewear pieces. Included in this collection are bicycle pants, rompers and the longer bikini top accompanied by short-bikini bottom. Jumpsuits, rompers and a variety of cover-ups are also available in the wide range of colors that are popular this summer.



This striking model by Diva might suit your style.

Colors, fabrics give Speedo edge

Lycra is such a popular fabric for men's swimwear that manufacturers of the material can't keep up with the demand, said Speedo's national accounts manager.

Lorna McMillin says that for this season, men's lycra suits are available in a full array of neon colors — bright orange, lime green, hot pink and vibrant blue.

"Most of the suits are offset with a black color panel. The combination of the basic black contrasting with the bright neons are flattering to any skin color."

Following as a close second and third in the favorite fabric department is tactel, 100% crinkled nylon and spandex blends.

A variety of lengths are also popular. A big seller for Speedo has been the longer activewear pieces that complement the exercise craze. As well, the short-style trunk, the brief and colorful jams are available.

Each suit, despite the length, is detailed in coloring as well as printing using state of the art techniques. McMillin displayed trunks which featured engineered prints — prints that are specifically made to suit the size of the trunk.

One such print was a lime green tidal wave set on the black background. Another pattern featured lime green and black checkered panals.

The use of the brief or jam, as opposed to the exercise activewear, is designed to appeal to different age groups and to men who differ physically.

"Men differ from women in that if a man already has a suit, the chances of him buying another, simply for the sake of buying it, are slim."

By creating new styles and introducing new color schemes, Speedo hopes to appeal to the men who already have "a perfectly good suit".

An entire line of accessories are also available. Included in the selection are ear and nose plugs, goggles, kickboards, sandals, tote bags, hand paddles, sport sponges and, of course, a colorful array of bathing caps in a variety of styles. All the accessories carry the Speedo logo and symbol.

Speedo is an Australian company that owns 90% of the competitive swimsuit market. All products are Canadian made. The head office is located in Montreal and the Toronto office handles all the national accounts for the company. **S.C.**

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Splish Splash

Get into the swim easily attired in a Gottex suit

By SHERYL HALPERN

What makes this summer's biggest fashion splash? It's got to be Gottex swimwear.

The new Gottex collection borrows aerobics gear, biking shorts, ballet leotards, haute couture soutache embroidery and takes beach basics like maillots, racer tanks, bandeau and string bikinis, and does them all up right.

Colors are blazing scarlets, oranges, golds, tropical fuchsias and parrot-greens, neon-flash limes and lemons, Caribbean and royal blues. Bunches of larger-than-life flowers — roses, tulips, hibiscus blossoms — are also evident as are coral-reef shells and nautical details. Fabricated in nylon-spandex Lycras, they'll take to the waves.

Everything's plunging: swimsuits have scoop-necks, strapless bustiers, sweetheart necklines and deeply V-ed decolletees for the very brave. Swimsuits are cut thigh-high, accented with waist-wrapping and all-over gathering for form-fitting looks. And bring in the special-effects department for lush crushed-velvet textures, floral lace, see-through-sexy voile, iridescent gleams, rosettes, pleats, tucks and ruffles.

Cover-ups hang loose and breezy in cottons, silks, polyesters and more, opaque, gauzy or very sheer. Toss on beach jackets and blousons, shawl-collared beach coats, bustier jumpsuits, floaty harem pants, mini or ankle-length skirts, or find pareos to knot at the hip.

Work out in a cap-sleeved, sunny yellow aerobics-class bodysuit, scooped very low in front to show an appliqueed bandeau. Tour the beach in second-skin biking shorts and a midriff-cut sport tank in royal blue with bands of lime and fuchsia.

For water ballet, there's a ballerina scoop-neck maillot in a satiny mint green with four satin rosettes at the hip. Swim in haute couture — a dramatic black bustier maillot ornamented with white soutache scrollwork.

The subject is roses when big gray-graphic cabbage roses get stuck on neon brights with lettuce-edged ruffling. Rose-red, green-leaved nosegays show against a black lace background in a boat-neck, thigh-high racer tank, or on white in a very lush bikini.

Tulips together: a tulip-petal print in hot pink with streaks of white on a maillot with tulip-shaped sweetheart neckline is matched to a transparent tulip-petalled skirt. Big abstract tulips in scarlet, yellow, Caribbean blue, gold, pale and leaf greens flower on a waist-wrapped bandeau bikini, a low-cut maillot, beach jacket and long shawl-collared beach coat.

Jungle exotics: hibiscus in hottest pink and gold, palm fronds in parrot-green, go waist-wrapped and very Carmen Miranda, in a brief bikini, a tank look with a long, loose skirt. Big blooms in fuchsia, gold, amethyst, sapphire, emerald cover a cut-to-the-navel maillot, a bandeau bikini, a racer tank or a hip-wrapped long skirt. And hot fuchsia florals are on blackest black in a bandeau bikini with long, loose jacket.

At the garden party: pretty florals in reds, yellows and blues brighten a string bikini and a sarong-knotted skirt. Pastel bouquets bloom in pinks and mauves, white accents, on a gathered bustier maillot, and border a gauzy fuchsia blouse.

Sea scenes: go underwater off the coral reef for seashells, seaweed fronds and fan coral in tropic colors and gleam — spectacular golds, oranges, greens against, of course, Caribbean blue — in a blouson jacket, scoop tank and maillot. Find exotic tropical escargots in golds and sunset reds on a string bikini and pareo. Or watch the waves of royal blue, emerald, mauve and black, washing over a string bikini, scoop-neck maillot and long flowing beach skirt.

Desert heat: go North African in hot pinks and oranges in gauzy wrappings. The swimsuit is off-the-shoulder, long-sleeved, waist-wrapped over flowing harem pants. The jumpsuit is a strapless bustier, wrapped to the hip, where it also flares into harem pants.

Blurs of brights — hot pink, leaf green, orange, purple, turquoise — float with accents of khaki and black on a low-cut sweetheart maillot, sheer beach coat, sheerest flounced wrap-around mini skirt.

Velvet and lace: get a crush on a crushed-velvet scarlet bustier maillot with a sweetheart neckline and waist-wrapping, a very-decolletee crushed velvet lime maillot or one in lime with violet accents. Flirt in lace, in electric fuchsia, blue and violet — just fuchsia for the 1-piecer with wide lacy straps or the bandeau-top, all three in the tiered lace mini skirt.

Shimmery and silvery in soft blues, mauves, pinks, there's the briefest of string bikinis, a gathered bustier maillot and a long loose beach coat. Other iridescents are a gleamy-pink maillot accented with Grecian-tunic folds, a silvery, snakeskin-print turtleneck maillot and, in glistening turquoise, a sleek sweetheart-neckline maillot.

Get it in black and white: to show off tans, wear the low-cut white maillot, just a bit daring, with tucking at the top and voile over the bare midriff, or the white bandeau bikini, with gathering and wrapping on the top and V-ed, thigh-high bottom. Then coverup with a sheer, pleated white blouson. To add mystery, wear black net and lacy black roses — on the low-cut back of a black racer tank.

Naval gazing: hooray for naughty nauticals in dark navy, bright white, with buttons and crests, striping. The top-brass bikini has an off-the-shoulder white band over a gold-buttoned and crested navy top and bottom; the navy bustier maillot goes to sea with striping trim and a naval crest. A midriff-baring navy sailor-middy with a white sailor collar docks with a loose, ankle-length gathered navy skirt hemmed with striping.

Pastel pinks and mauves blossom all over Gottex's bikini and skirt.

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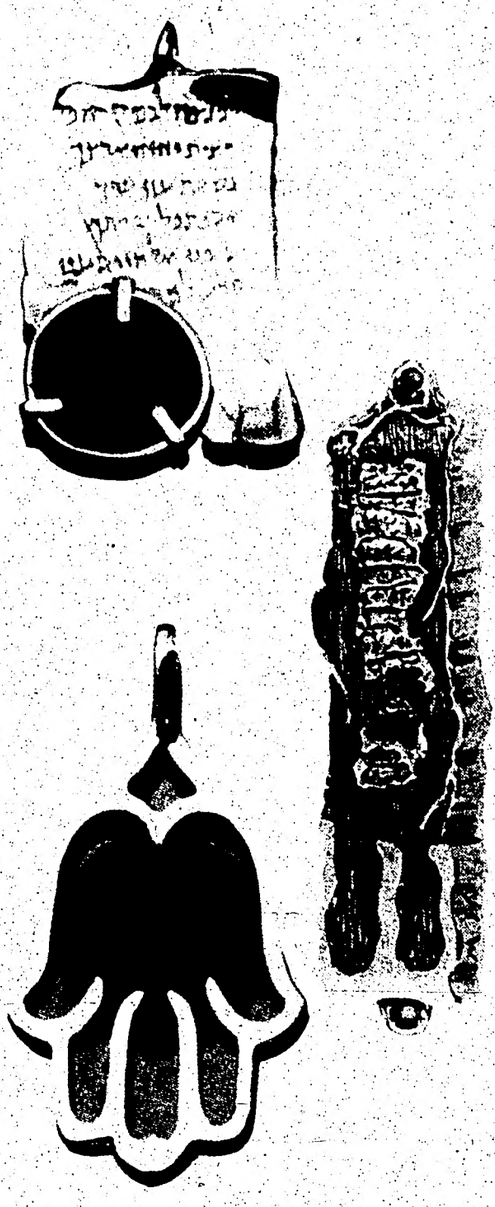
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Sizzling hot styles and colors

Splish Splash Take the plunge in one of YSL's suits

By MARIE MOORE

Boasting a strong palette of color which ranges from classic shades of red, fuchsia, royal and turquoise to softer tones of steel gray, papaya and ballet pink, the Yves Saint Laurent swimwear collection is a true celebration of sizzling hot style.

The draped halter with shirred middle (cummerbund waistband) — the firm's biggest seller — is offered in a full bouquet of solid shades as well as Duet combinations of red, jade or papaya mixed with black.

Or, strategically placed signature gold buttons (with YSL lettering) accent the new red-and-black group of sleek, 1-piece suits. A very easy, high leg; low back and low sides show in shiny pique novelty spandex.

Another grouping features medallions of gold on high-necklined tanks with wide waistbands as well as a bandeau swimsuit mini-dress with centre front placket and a bold row of gold accents.

A spirited black-and-white geometric print is Saint Laurent's tribute to Le Jazz. Solid bands outline this clean silhouette and define the waist and bustline. A high-necked, open-back tank is the most modern of the geometric looks.

For the customer who's going on a cruise or resort holiday, draped 2-tone jumpsuits are Saint Laurent's statement for cover-up dressing. Full black pants are paired with an asymmetric, draped, off-the-shoulder top in bright shades as well as in Parisienne glitter to create an exciting silhouette. Wraps are also available.

The 100% cotton, poly or nylon wrinkle-resistant fabrications are also functional. Not just for the beach, they'll carry you into any hotel lobby or cafe.

"The look is unmistakeably designer," said Donald Paterson, YSL Toronto sales representative.

"Anyone who sees it or shops it will have an immediate 1st impression of quality. It's a top-of-the-line collection that will not be worn by less selective buyers. It's a cut above the rest!

"The Yves Saint Laurent customer usually owns more than one suit. In fact, our suits often don't even get wet, they're used more for 'around the pool' or novelty dressing," he said.

"Our customer knows swimwear. She's very fashion-conscious and realizes that although the suit may only be one small garment, it's perfect fit and trend-setting detail will create a bit of excitement in her wardrobe."

The YSL suit incorporates four basic elements in its repetoire. Quality, the latest fabrication treatments and fashion-forward styling are all combined with the newest colors.

Revealing and seductive silhouettes also restrict YSL suits to the fashion and form-conscious body. Although some styles feature ultra-soft, fibre-fill cups to emphasize shape and comfort, most of the designs rely on the figures of the women who wear them to define their effect.

But, for all their fancy styling, the suits really are quite competitively priced. The $45 to $80 range puts them at a markedly lower cost than most Israeli, European and American labels.

The suits are available at Bikini Village in Montreal, Beachwear Unlimited in Toronto, and Eaton's, Simpsons and The Bay, across Canada.

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Fashion

High-style line of casuals

Manufacturer says boys are hearing the bugle call

By
STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

Picture a well-dressed man leaning against a red Ferrari. Enter a vivacious long-haired beauty. She sways her way up to the man, leans over and whispers, "Excuse me, are those Bugle Boy you're wearing?"

At a first glance the commercial does not relate to children's and boy's wear, but on a different level, the commercial can make the product appealing to anyone. Who could resist buying a product that can inspire that kind of attention?

"Today, kids are a lot smarter than their parents think they are. They not only want something that looks smart, but they also want something that an older brother wears — they don't want to be left behind," said Jeremy Lu of Bugle Boy.

Lu and his partner, Eric Silverman, brought the Bugle Boy line from the United States to Canada last November. The parent company has operated in the U.S. for the past 12 years.

Lu and Silverman are the master licencee for Bugle Boy in Canada, which means they have all the rights to the products.

"Basically, Bugle Boy represents a fashion-forward line," Lu said. "Our philosophy is to offer the consumer the type of clothing they are looking for at a very good price."

"Most of our clothes retail between $40 to $55. We also have new styles available every month."

For the summer, Bugle Boy is offering a variety of cotton casual pants in colors of white, tan, gray, black and navy. The styles differ from the norm with the variety of detail that make the pants interesting and fun.

For example, a pair of tan cotton casuals has snap pockets with spot print, a snap cargo pocket with detailed stitching and a lined waistband. Another features double-entry pockets, a flap-back pocket which carries the Bugle Boys logo and double tunnel loops for a matching or contrasting belt.

Some other styles incorporate knee pockets, bubble pockets, and a lined waistband that matches the pant cuff when the leg is rolled up.

Theme pants, a feature Lu says children love, are also available. For example, in March, Bugle Boy carried the mountain patrol/mountain rescue theme done with spot printing.

Bugle Boy is carried by all the major department stores and different specialty shops in sizes appropriate for ages ranging from four to 45. The clothes sell very quickly, Lu said.

"Our clothes are for boys who either want to stand out in a crowd or those who don't want to be left behind. I have found the Canadian public is very fashion conscious. Kids like brand names."

Lu suggests that the influence of the parents is the reason behind those fashion-forward children. The Baby Boomers are growing and those are the parents who like both themselves and their children well-dressed.

"I know some brand names that many kids wouldn't be caught dead in."

Lu anticipates a successful summer season. However, taking the business along slowly is the way to go.

"Rome wasn't built in a day, and neither were we. Right now we are trying to build up with a loyal base of customers. Our brand name is not a fad — we're here to stay."

In addition to the pants, the company also carries a selection of tops and sweaters, shoes, socks, underwear and swimwear as well as accessories such as belts and suspenders.

"Boys like excitement so not only do we experiment with things like spot printing, zippers and pockets, but we also use different colors. Our clothes for summer use some very bright colors."

A cotton yellow short sleeve cotton shirt is spiced up with the accompanying black norizontal strips and a tight collar. One stretch-cotton, sleeve-less muscle top uses colors like yellow, white, blue and red to create a bright carefree summer look. Bright and vibrant, but not florescent, the colorful tops and T-shirts can be matched with cotton pants or jeans to create a "fun" outfit, Lu said.

"Like Roots or Club Monaco, all our clothes carry the Bugle Boy identification. The fun colors complement the bottoms make a fun-looking outfit."

Popular for its pants, Bugle Boys has an extensive line of cotton and denim styles for fashion-conscious children.

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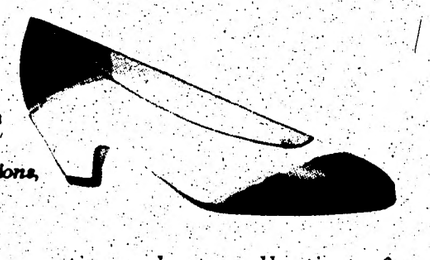

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These brightly-colored outfits are easy-to-wear and wash well. From the designs to the accessories, Milton clothing is fun for kids.

Theme-oriented designs are Milton's trademark

By
STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

The white satin gown trimmed with pink is accompanied by a pink sash and an elegant pair of tiny slippers decorated with a barrage of pink feathers. The label reads Milton and the size is 3X.

"These are like the real thing," said Mario Funes, sales associate for Milton Funwear in Toronto. "Our line is pure funwear. There are not too many companies out there who have the keys we do — pricing, quality and variety."

The satin gown is just one of the many outfits among the Milton children's clothing line.

Theme-oriented designs are very popular for both boys and girls. Among the best sellers are the Jungle Jim and Jungle Jane set — shorts and top sets that feature the jungle motif. The outfit is teamed with accessories like a canteen and jungle hat at no extra charge.

Some of the other designs include a Kung Fu set, a Commando and Special Forces set, a Dirty Dancing dress for girls, a leather Top Gun jacket for boys, and a MASH-like medical outfit. The Quarterback set and a Referee outfit cater to the sport fans in the playground while the pink-and-white tropical pop skirt and lace camisole set are favorites with the ladies in the crowd. All the garments are from 2-14 years, and are also available in newborn and infant sizes.

"In a way, it's like a dream come true for the children," Funes said.

"The desire might be to become a pilot or a doctor. Parents, going out there, see our product and grab it. Our clothes are fun to wear."

It could be said that wearing a Milton is like assuming a part in a play. Customers are given the chance to turn their children into football players, lawyers or teachers with the outfits, and the children seem to love it.

The man behind these grand designs is Milton Potash who began the company 11 years ago. Potash entered the business in a backward fashion — beginning as a retailer and then moving into the manufacturing end.

The company has grown out of the head office in Montreal and now includes offices in Toronto, New York and Los Angeles.

Where does the designer get his ideas for the Milton Label?

"Many of his ideas are just unusual," Funes said.

"He is a real innovator. He gets his ideas from all over, but a big influence is the Hollywood scene and movie themes. His outfits do make dreams come true for kids."

Funes has been with the company for the past five years. He transferred to Toronto from Los Angeles nearly five months ago. Working for Milton Funwear means starting at the bottom and working through each department to the top — a training that is thorough and unforgetable.

"I have found there are people in other companies who don't understand how the company runs. Consequently, it is very hard for these people to sell their company to prospective buyers."

The key factors behind the success of the company are the affordability, the styling and the quality of the products. To begin with, although the fabric may be from Hong Kong or the Bahamas, everything is shipped to Canada and made here, thus cutting cost.

When choosing a fabric, it is important that all the outfits wash well and are easy-to-wear. For the mother who does not have time to spend dressing her children in the morning, the matching and interchangeable sets are convenient.

All of the outfits are accessorized — a flashlight for the Special Forces set and dogtags for the Airborne suit. These additions lend extra appeal to the garments. They add fun.

Funes was quick to point out that research on each garment is extensive and the most modern of technology is used for designing the garments and the accessories. For instance, the Milton line features a line of gloves, plastic shoes in the shape of cars and fish, stockings and Tic-Tac-Toe socks.

The socks are great for the toddler who is just learning to walk because

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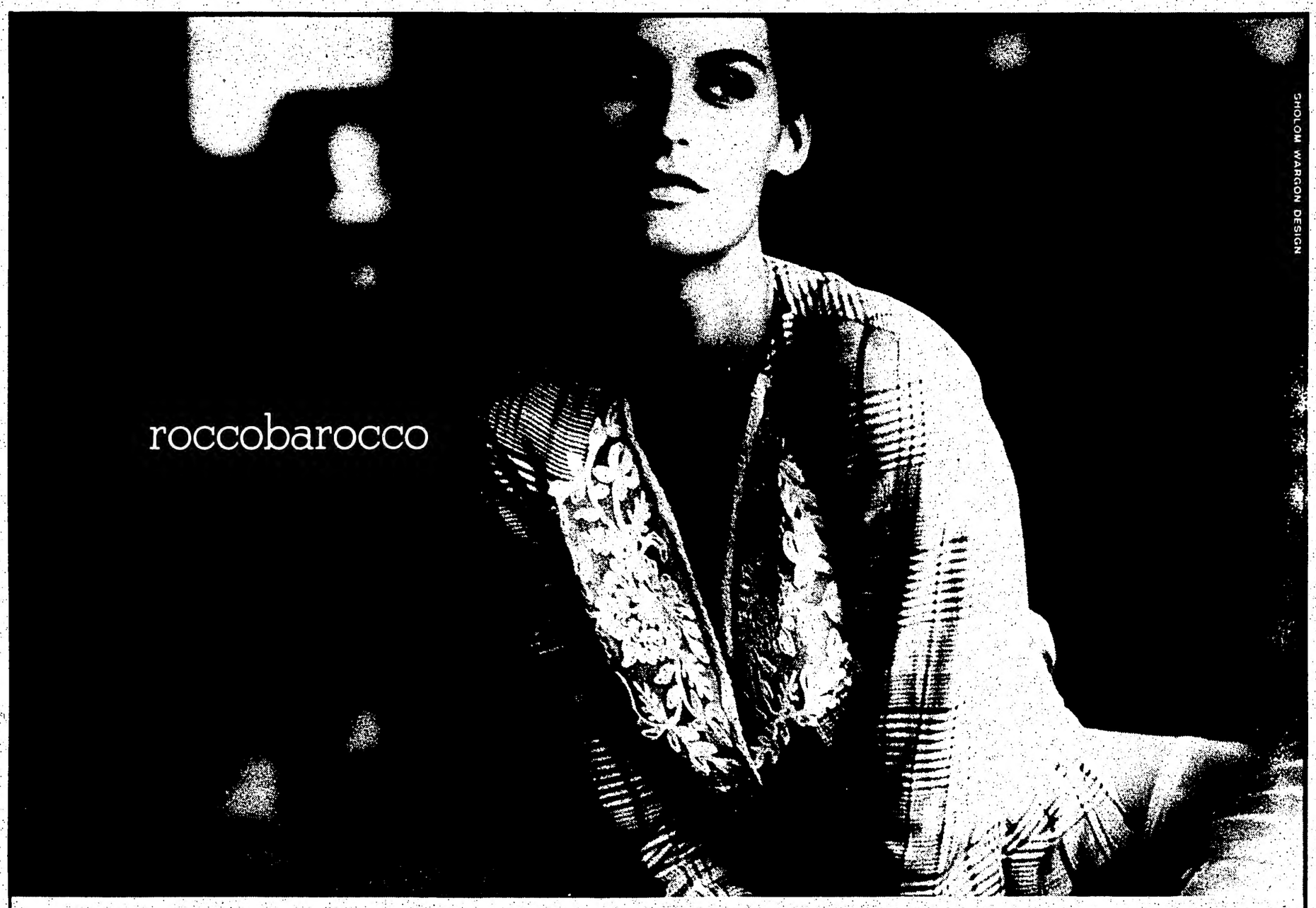

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Award-winning children's wear designer

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By STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

When Jennifer Wright entered the Ontario Children's Fashion Designers Contest she didn't expect to win.

However, when the votes were cast and the winners drawn at Kidswear 89, Wright was called out to accept an award for the best 0 to 3X designer.

"I entered the contest for my own pleasure and for the excitement. I was pleasantly surprised when I won, to say the least," said Wright, who designs Urbanwear for Uptown Tots by Davis. "They said I was visibly shaking."

Wright, 27, graduated from the Ontario College of Art textile design course nearly five years ago and went to work with Davis. During the last few years, Wright has seen many changes within the industry and the children's market as a whole.

"A few years ago, there were basic terry and blanket sleepers. Since then the market has changed and now there is an emphasis on garment shape, style and embellishment. The market was saturated with the older items."

From amongst the regular designs came the new line of Urbanwear for Uptown Tots by Davis.

The best selling item this year is the flagship T-shirt.

Traditionally, most children's wear lines have played it safe as far as colors are concerned featuring pale yellows, pink and powder mint. The new Urbanwear line has broadened the spectrum to include the brights — cherry red, sunshine yellow, grass green and blueberry blue.

The four big and bold screen prints are in the form of a teddy bear, a giraffe, an elephant and a koala bear. The simplicity is the focus of the designs, and it is the directness that has made them what they are, Wright says.

An assortment of rompers, the second best seller, are also available. One such outfit features a 2-domed crew collar, short sleeves and long, full legs with snaps that may be rolled up. The 1-piece romper is both convenient and cool.

"These outfits are not embellished with a lot of things because they are focused for the department-store market. These are a real step for us because traditionally we have done sleepwear," Wright said.

"We decided to develop this new line based on body shape and new detailing as well as to change our image."

Urbanwear for Uptown Tots combines unusual designs and bold colors.

Also, among the new line is a seersucker T-shirt — although the style itself is not new, the designs are. One such piece features screen printing of carpenter overalls for the boys. The suspenders are actually measuring tapes, hammers and screwdrivers peek out of pockets and a red and black hanky dangles from the back pocket. For the girls, the seersucker is detailed with multi-colored bears eating ice cream cones. A matching lace collar and pocket top off the feminine look.

Jennifer Wright seen accepting award.

"Most of my inspirations come from the popular trends and many have also drifted down from women's wear."

"We basically have two pricing points — between $25 to $35. This way, we have something to offer everyone."

Just returning from a European research trip, Wright says that future plans feature garments with new shapes, color and detail. Much is promised for next year, Wright admits.

The Davis company has been in operation for the past 40 years with the head office always in Toronto. The first product the company manufactured was a diaper — it is still made today.

The company was founded by Lou Davis and now has been passed to his sons Ken and Michael. The latter focuses his primary interest on the market while his brother concerns himself with sales.

"The team here is really fantastic. Obviously, the style, the graphics and the patterns have contributed but I would have to say that it is the team that made the new line possible," Wright said.

"Stephanie Riel is our pattern-making specialist. We start talking about the shape and the feel of the garment before anything goes down on paper. Stephanie does the cutouts while I deal with the graphics — the collars and yokes, etc." she said.

"I really enjoy keeping on top of the trends for the children's wear. I have a general interest in what kids are doing. You have to be able to keep a broad perspective so as not to miss out on anything."

Apparel has themes

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the tic-tac-toe pattern is made from a substance that prevents slipping. The designing is done on a computer.

Fashion the high-tech way. An example of this are the Min-Nits, gloves, that are available in a variety of patterns and colors. The microelectronic seamless knitting equipment transforms soft acrylic yarn with a lazer-thin elastic core into 1-size gloves that fit all.

"When we go to customers they can't wait to see our products. Unusual. We're known in the business as that — unusual. When we sit with customers, they don't want to talk anymore, they want to look."

Funes admits that the most exciting thing for him is seeing the new products that are coming out.

"I never get tired of showing the older products to customers though because the reactions are always different."

The company's success means continued growth. As well as the advanced technology, Milton has implemented an 800 number to deal with customer complaints and questions.

To Funes, Funwear is the name of the game.

"If our new products excite me, imagine what it will do for the kids."

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Fashion

From necklaces to bracelets

Children's accessories sure to bring on the Giggles

By
STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

Giggles is aptly named because the merchandise is guaranteed to bring a spout of laughter from both children and adults alike.

A producer of children's accessories, Giggles manufactures pieces that are fun to wear for both dress or play.

"A little girl would think she had died and gone to heaven if she found herself back there," Patti Mayles said motioning to the backroom that was full of the newest designs available for this spring.

"My children are my hardest critics. Marissa sees the new designs and has to try them out. Many of my ideas come from her and I also watch her friends to find out what everyone is wearing."

Mayles, the design and creative consultant for the firm, joined the company three years ago. A mother of three, Mayles was qualified to look at the market and see where the hole was that had to be filled.

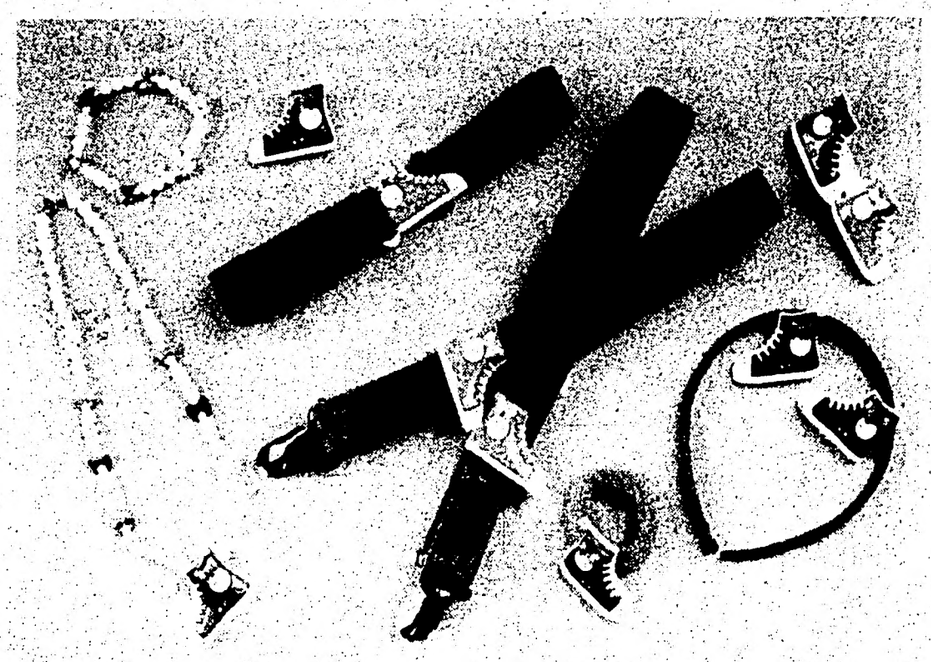
"Today, the children's clothing market is changing and we have to be right on with the accessories. They used to be available in basic pink and pale blue but the changes in Mom's dress has filtered down to the children's.

"Now, mothers are dressing their girls in black with bright neon accents and we have to be able to match these new colors. We could die with one wrong color."

Giggles carries everything from belts and suspenders to sunglasses and thongs, as well as the usual hair pieces and necklaces.

There are red-rimmed glasses with airplanes for boys and pink-rimmed ones with pearls for girls. Purple suspenders with pink ballet slippers, mitten clips with stars and cowboy boots, colorful ponytail holders with multi-colored ice cream cones and a black beaded necklace dotted throughout the strand with hot pink pieces in the shape of bows.

The most popular piece for this season is the fruit cluster. Necklace, bracelet, headband and ponytail clip all feature huge clusters of mixed fruit — bananas, grapes, oranges, apples and blueberries. All are strung, hung or dangled from color corresponding beads, hoops and fabric again dotted with black.



Bright colors and innovative designs make Giggles a unique and popular children's accessories company.

"Right now we are expanding into boy's accessories," said Mayles who also has two boys ages 13 and eight. "There is also a huge market for a pre-teen line. This is a difficult age group because the girls won't wear something babyish but they also don't want something their mothers would wear."

Giggles, the largest accessory company in Canada, is also responsible for accessorizing certain fashion shows. Last year, Giggles looked after the Kidstyle International show and they have also catered to some of Elen Henderson's designs.

The 60s influence has even hit Giggles. The happy face and the ever-popular peace sign are the newest trends that will continue through until fall in bright neon colors.

"My designs have to work because the last thing people buy are accessories. They know what they have bought, and for the most part, they also know what will match the outfit. So, if my colors and designs aren't right on, they don't buy."

Giggles is owned by David Leese, who began as an entrepreneur at 21 selling novelties such as keychains and earrings. He did this for almost four years until the market became saturated.

"At that time, I found there was a void in the market for children so I put a small display together. I carried a line of hair pieces and ponytail holders."

This was the beginning of Giggles. In 1980, Leese and his wife, Teri, founded and developed the company concept and strategy together.

At that time, the market was prime as the post war babies were having children themselves. Giggles exploded into the marketplace, Leese said.

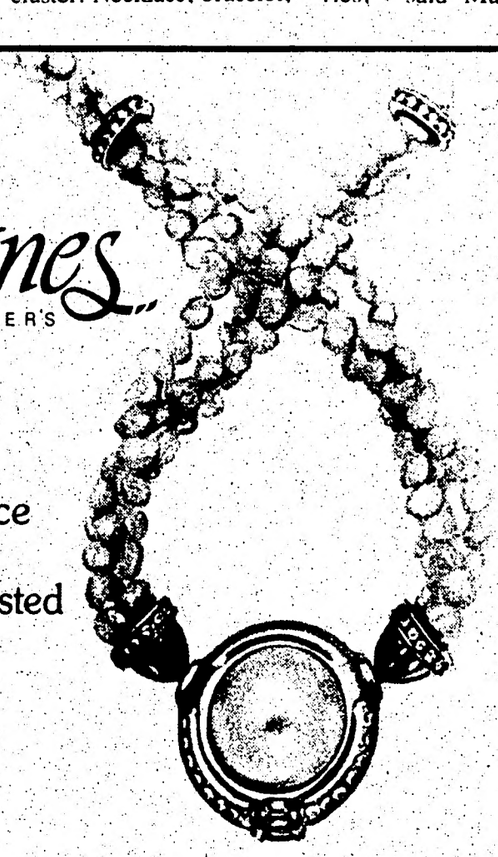
"Today we are dealing with a yuppie market which means they have more buying power and they are willing to spend more for something special in terms of color and style."

"What makes us different is the pride we take in our styling. All our designs are done in-house. We want people to know there is a Canadian alternative."

Leese's daughter, Rebecca, who will be two in May, is the poster and promotional child for the company. It is a family business.

"It is a fun business and it is a very enjoyable one. I find it is very upbeat because children are involved."

"I suppose it is like being in the toy business — the day-to-day contact is a lot of fun. Our products will continue to cater to the excitment of the children's industry in general," Leese said.



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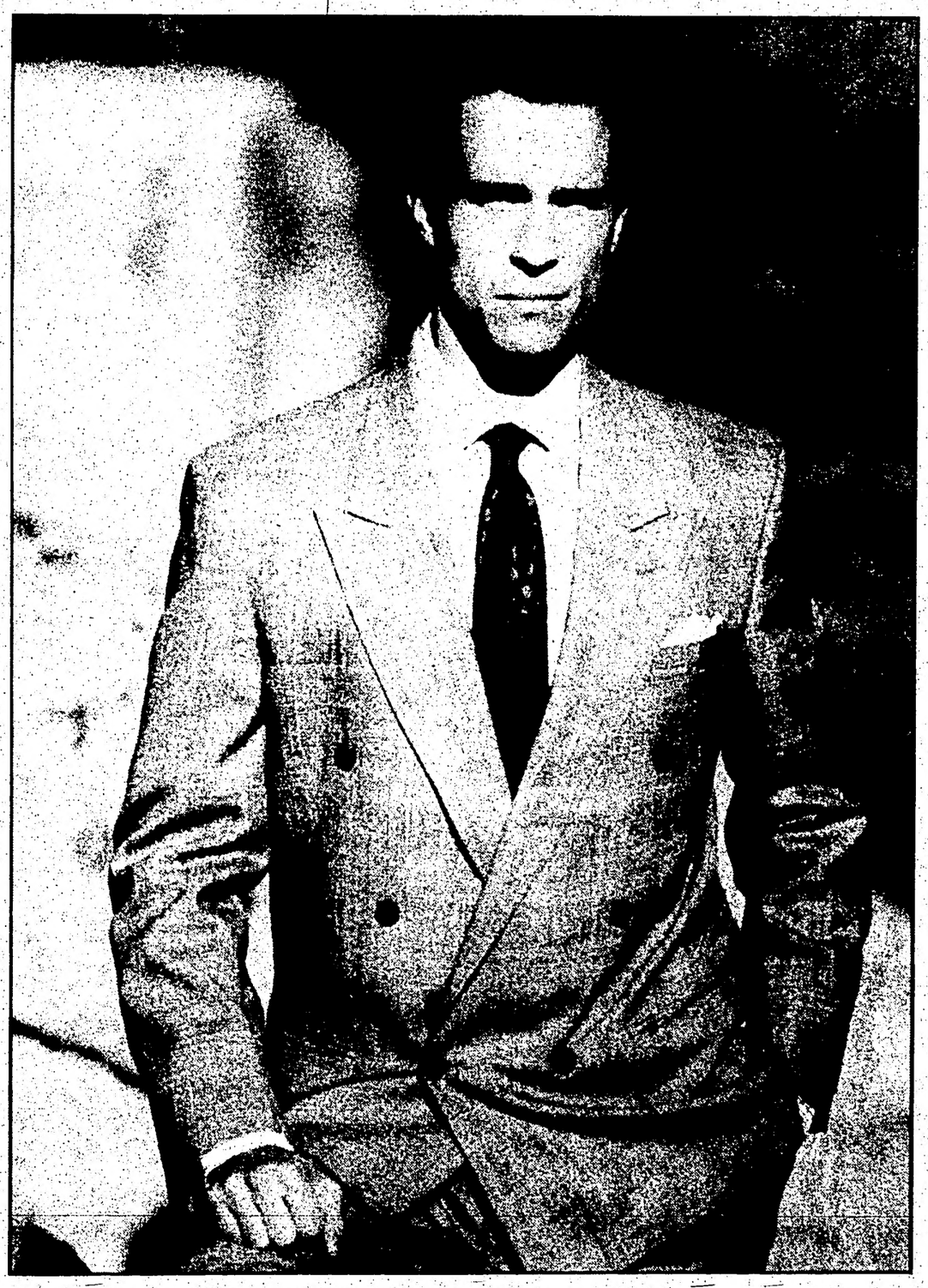

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Adman teams with sales agents

"Sugar-sack" clothing features colorful graphics

By
BRUCE PARKINSON

Would you stop reading this story if you found out it was about two brothers having fun in the sack?

Well, don't, because it's not what it seems. Mitch and Jay Harris, a sibling team of fashion sales agents, are enjoying dizzying success marketing a line of "sugar-sack" clothing that promises to be the novelty sensation of this season and perhaps several more. Best of all, the idea was Canadian, the designs are Canadian and the product is manufactured here as well.

The idea came from Glen Arscott, a Toronto advertising man, during a month-long recovery from an illness. His concept was to make plus four-like pants from the most basic, untreated cotton, like that used in sugar or potato sacks. One size would fit almost all, with the waist tied by a drawstring.

The pants would feature colorful graphic prints, advertising defunct or fictional sugar companies. They would be cool, casual and comfortable, ideal for a day at the beach, playing ball, or relaxing at the cottage.

Arscott, who devised the artwork and still oversees all production, decided to call them SweetSacks. In the first year of production, he sold them through street vendors and did an impressive $100,000 of business. Little did he realize that $100,000 was peanuts compared to the potential these simple garments held.

He approached the Harris brothers to see if they were interested in marketing the product to retailers. They were, but they told him he would have to take them off the streets to achieve credibility with stores. Arscott reluctantly agreed, and what followed was "an unbelievable season."

"We were shocked in the beginning," Mitch Harris said. "We just had no idea it would get so big."

This year promises to be even bigger as the Harrises expect Linebacker, the overall company name, to do $12 to $20 million in business worldwide, with close to one million units being sold in Canada alone. The U.S. market has barely been tapped, and orders from Spain and West Germany are rolling in.

New styles, prints

The brothers are maintaining 350 accounts in Ontario alone, while sub-agents in other areas of Canada bring the total number of stores carrying SweetSacks to more than 1,000.

Linebacker is not resting on its revenues, either. The company has expanded with two new styles, as well as a variety of new prints, including Canadian beer prints that promise to be a huge seller.

New this year are Sandies, a similar style cut 6 to 8 inches shorter to above the knee, and Convertibles, which are full-length, with drawstrings at the bottoms as well as the waist. There are also SweetSacks for youngsters.

But the beer prints are what the Harris brothers are most excited about. Linebacker has paid a substantial amount per label to the breweries in exchange for exclusive rights to carry the name, and all signs point to a happy marriage.

Brewer's Retail even plans to carry the pants in their new Beer Stores. Eaton's, which in the past has not allowed any merchandise carrying beer labels in their stores, relented this year after doing $250,000 in SweetSack business last year.

"That was a milestone for us and for Eaton's," Jay Harris said. There are currently 10 beer prints, with another 20 in the works.

The brothers find it ironic that while large parts of the fashion industry are suffering a malaise, they are having their best year ever. It just goes to show that the niche markets for comfortable, colorful, casual wear continue to grow unabated.

"They are tremendously comfortable and anybody can wear them. A guy who wears a suit during the week is dying to put on something comfortable on weekends or when he comes home," Mitch Harris said.

Despite the fact that it would be cheaper to manufacture offshore, Linebacker plans to continue doing it in Toronto.

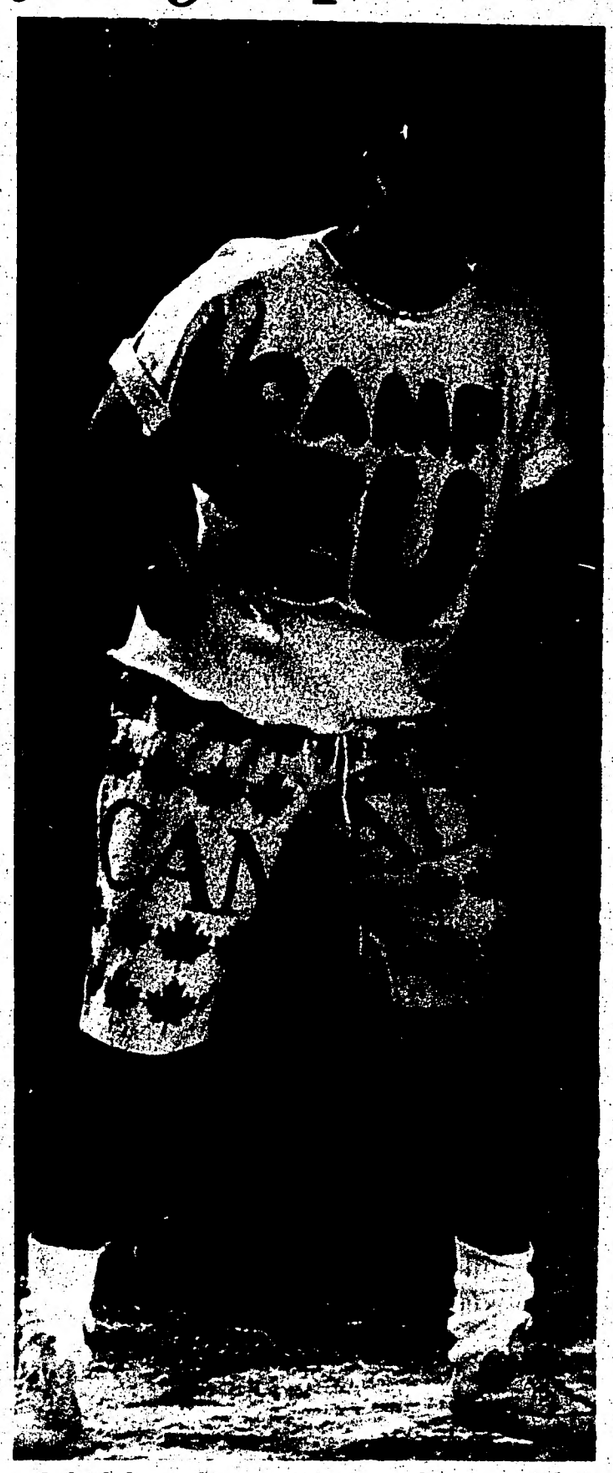
"The Orient is too distant for quick turnaround," he said. "Different stores are reordering every day, and some prints sell better than others. By making them here we can print specifically and provide as many units as required with a 2-week lead time."

While knockoffs will no doubt appear in droves, the brothers say they have enough of a headstart to maintain their market. They intend to aggressively defend the beer prints that they have exclusive rights for and they argue that SweetSacks could become a generic name along the lines of Kleenex and SkiDoo.

With the success of SweetSacks, the Toronto manufacturer has had to expand, and the Harrises soon will, too, moving to new premises and adding five or six to their staff. Between marketing the SweetSacks and another rapidly growing line, Bugle Boy, these are two busy brothers.

"It's a good thing we're single," Mitch Harris said.

SweetSacks, Sandies and Convertibles all retail for just under $20, and are available at a plentitude of locations, including Eaton's, Simpsons and The Bay.



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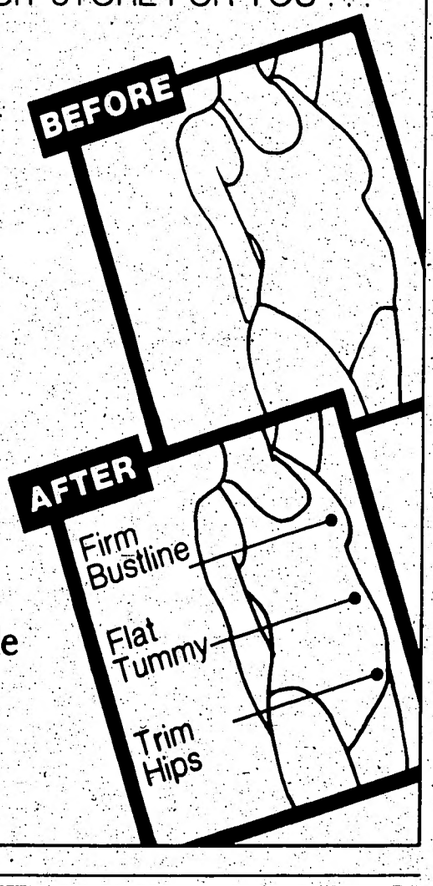


Follows family tradition

Calabretta's subtle garments geared to young professionals

By
BRUCE PARKINSON

"It's always a long day in this business," sighed Mario Calabretta as he began to wind down in the showroom of the west-end clothing manufacturing company that bears his family name.

Diminutive in stature, with Roman features and curly black hair flecked with gray, Calabretta speaks quietly and thoughtfully. Like so many other Canadian designers, he defies the calculated stereotypes that publicists of international design stars cultivate and fashion groupies emulate. The public wants glamor, so give them glamor, is the rule in force, but the reality for most is much different.

Long hours, financial risks and hard work are the real order of the day for most designers and if any glamor does come along it is well earned. And in most cases the perception of designers as egocentric, foppish flakes is just as far off the mark.

Those traits usually don't take people far in a business that demands constant attention and a wide range of knowledge. What you are more likely to find upon meeting a fashion designer is an earnest, unaffected person with an almost masochistic bent for doing a job well.

Calabretta has been designing men's wear for five years, following in the footsteps of his father, who has done men's couture clothing for two decades, and his uncle, a master tailor in Italy.

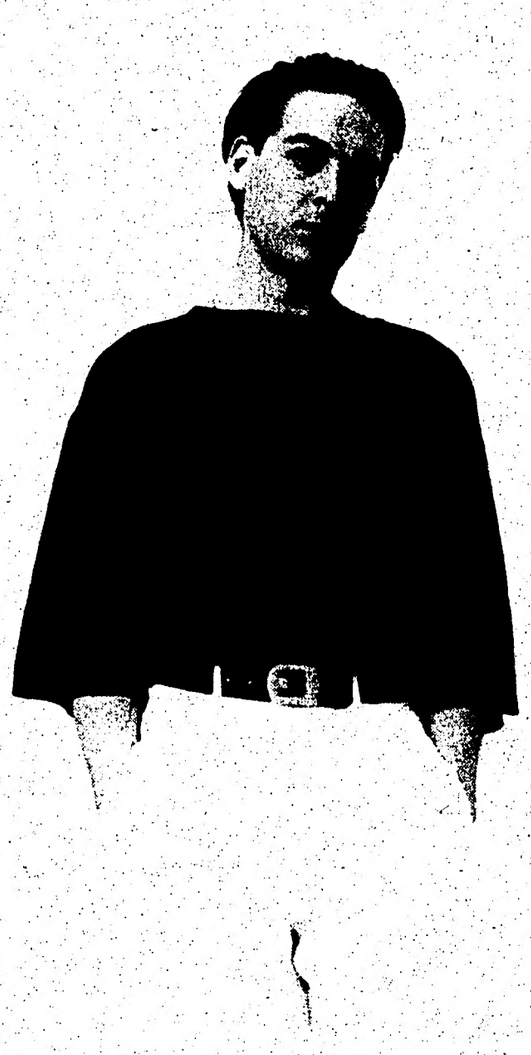
After studying design at Sheridan College, Calabretta spent a year in Europe apprenticing with that uncle, learning the nuances of shapes and proportion.

Back in Canada, he showed his line at the first Festival of Canadian Fashion and since then has grown slowly, defining his market and experimenting with the style limits of the marketplace.

During those five years, men's wear has experienced a boom of sorts, as dressing well becomes more important to more men, and the malaise of the 70s is replaced by a spirit of optimism.

"We're now in an era where people want to look good. I think it will just keep going, getting better. Once you start wearing nice clothes you don't want to go back."

He says he designs mostly to his own personal taste, because that is what he knows best.



Mario Calabretta has teamed a bronze viscose top with white linen pants to achieve a classy style and image.

"I understand who will wear these clothes."

The group he finds are attracted to his designs are usually 25 and older, and in the early stages of professional careers.

Calabretta defines his look as "a very modern cut, but shapes and details aren't loud. The design touches are more technical than obvious, but when the clothes are worn they have a special look to them."

Each season Calabretta attempts to push the boundaries a little farther, a constant challenge in men's wear where even small, unorthodox changes cause retailers to blanche. He points to a pale green linen jacket, unstructured and unlined, that the reporter has complimented.

"It was one of my favorites from the line, but retailers shied away from it. It would probably do well in Europe. Maybe next year."

But Calabretta doesn't get too disheartened, looking upon it as just another obstacle to be overcome.

"You've got to have patience in this business."

For his summer line, Calabretta has used natural fibres with the exception of viscose, which he says breathes well, looks good and is priced like cotton. Linen and cool wool make up the majority of the 30-piece collection.

"With the heat we've been getting, natural fibres are important. Cool wool is a really important innovation. It doesn't itch and it works well in all seasons."

Calabretta says his color choices aren't "too aggressive" — another reality of the men's market. Black, beige, pale greens and white, and an attractive blue/gray hue make up the palette.

Printed shirts team with linen or cool wool suits that feature casual, unconstructed lines. Pants focus on pleating and pocket details that "spike it up a little."

With the manufacturing facility on the premises, Calabretta is able to closely monitor quality and be involved in every part of the process, a fact he considers important.

Pricing for the line is in the mid-range, at $520 for a linen or cool wool suit, $110 for a silky-looking viscose top, $150 for linen shirts and $160 for pants.

The Calabretta line is available at Boomer, Sinatra's, Simpsons and Abiti.

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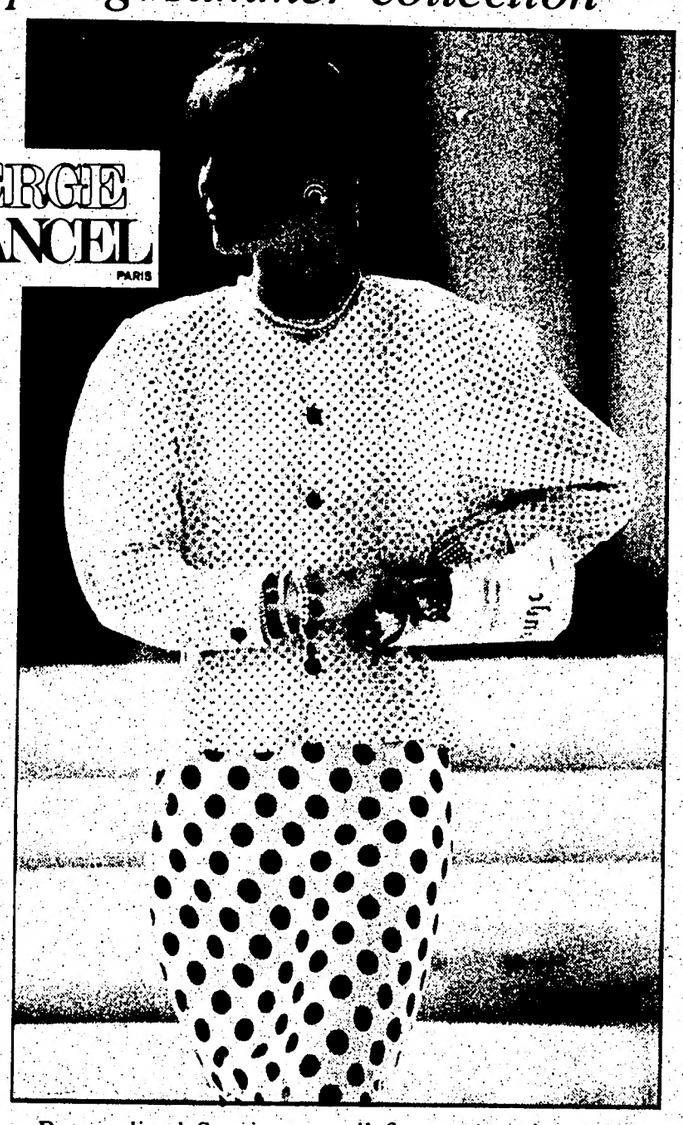

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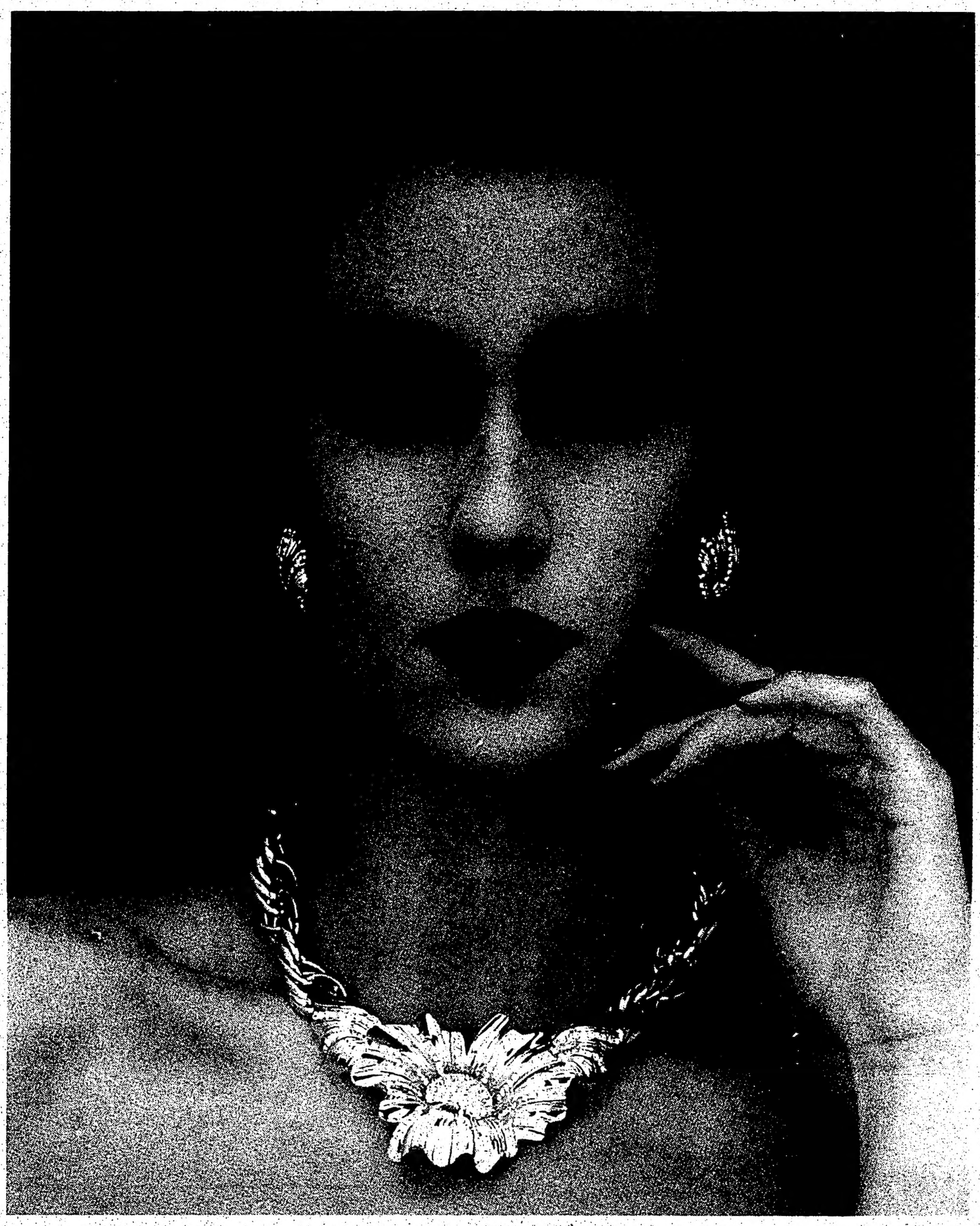

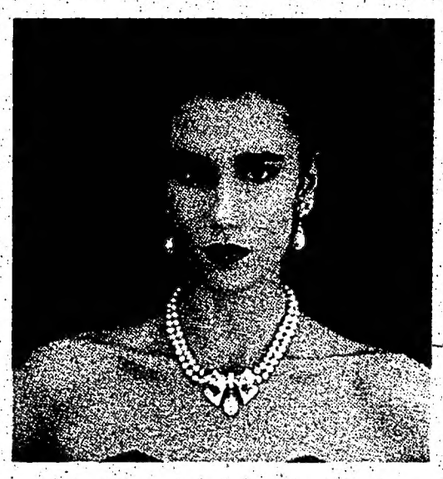

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